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Chris Gooley lived up to his surname as one of the monsters at the Pine Reflections haunted house to benefit the Stanhope Fire

Department. The volunteer firefighter said he especially likes to scare "the kids between the ages of three and six." Another firefighter said the event will raise at least \$1,000. There are more Hallowe'en photos on page 15.

No sparks, no fire when candidates face the voters

by **BRYN WEESE**
Times Staff

Whatever the reason, be it the format or the candidates themselves, the well-attended Minden Hills all-candidates' meeting did not generate the kind of heated debate that voters were no doubt hoping for.

While debate among candidates in the Archie Stouffer Elementary School gymnasium was non-existent, council hopefuls were given ample opportunity to express their views on key election topics such as waste management, truck parking, opportunities for youth and CAO Gerry Morrison's bid for reeve in Algonquin Highlands.

Ward 1 candidate Bill Obee did not attend because he was out of the country.

Following the candidates' opening remarks, Pauline Plooard got the ball rolling with a waste management question: did the three reeve candidates support a septic tank inspection program as was recently completed in Algonquin Highlands.

Current reeve Jim McMahon supports the program, saying "it's the responsibility of the township or the county to provide that service."

Wende Plante said that she could agree with it so long as it didn't cost ratepayers an additional fee. "I would agree with it if there was financial assistance

for homeowners."

Wally Dove did not agree with the program because of the fees associated with it. "As councilors, we are servants," he said, adding that council shouldn't be initiating cost programs.

Later on in the evening, Ward 3 resident Lois Rigney asked all of the candidates if waste management should be dealt with at the county level and what their thoughts were on alternative waste disposal methods.

Although some candidates admitted they were not familiar enough with the waste management issue, most who did answer were all in favour of having waste management taken to

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'Significant' number of ballots spoiled

by **GREG HOEKSTRA**
Times Staff

Despite having used mail-in voting in the past two elections, and despite including a set of instructions with all voting kits, Minden Hills is having a "significant problem" with spoiled ballots this time around.

Clerk and returning officer Cheryl McCarroll was unable to confirm just how many ballots have been spoiled thus far, but she did verify that the problem is considerable and needs to be addressed.

The way that the system is supposed to work is that a ballot is filled out and sealed in a white secrecy envelope. Following that,

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Ballot problem is with improper declaration form

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the voter signs a declaration form verifying their identity. The voter then places both the declaration and secrecy envelope within the yellow returning envelope.

The glitch, says McCarroll, lies with the declaration form. Some declaration forms have been submitted unsigned, while many other voting kits are being returned without any declaration form at all.

There is some speculation that people have been placing both their ballot and declaration in the second secrecy envelope, but in following with election guidelines, municipal officials are not allowed to open the secrecy envelope to investigate.

"Whether they're included [in the secrecy envelope] or not, I don't know, because we can't open them," McCarroll says.

"The whole idea is that we're not supposed to see the ballot. We're supposed to know who they are, but not know who they voted for."

There is a silver lining: if you think your ballot was unintentionally spoiled, not all is lost.

Voters can visit the municipal office in Minden and let the returning officer know that they believe they may have spoiled their ballot. The clerk will then cross-check the voters' list to see if a vote was registered under that name. If no vote has been recorded, then the voter will be asked to swear a declaration that they have spoiled their ballot and a new voting kit can then be administered.

McCarroll says that in the past two elections the municipality used Canada Post's mail-in voting system, which supplied voters with a fool-proof "window envelope" that could not be mailed unless the instructions were followed precisely.

This time around the municipality has switched over to the two-envelope system (produced by a company called Data Fix) and that seems to have caused some confusion amongst voters. But McCarroll says she is unsure as to why there would be so many mix-ups.

Not only are instructions included with every voting kit, but the municipality has also placed newspaper ads detailing how to vote properly. For the tech-savvy, there is even a step-by-step voting tutorial available on the municipality's website.

"I really don't know what more we can do," says McCarroll. "People seem to have trouble with it but why, I don't know."

But the problem is not localized to only Minden Hills. To the south, the Township of Douro-Dummer has a 19 per cent rejection rate of ballots as of October 31, while North Kawartha confirms that 19.4 per cent of their ballots have been spoiled for the much the same reason.

The Township of Minden Hills asks that those who have not voted yet to please follow the included instructions precisely in order to ensure that your ballot is processed and accounted for.

For further instructions on how to vote properly, please see the advertisement on page 22.



Bryn Weese/TIMES

A Celtic concert in the Highlands

Internationally renowned opera singer Sara Kyle, bottom right, brought a taste of Celtic music to the Minden United Church last week as a fundraiser for building improvements. Along with her voice, described by the *New York Times* as "the voice of an angel," Kyle brought members of her Aurora Opera Company. Accompanying the singers was Melissa Stephens, bottom left. Audience members join in, above.



GCH election ballot okay despite printing error

by BOB HUGHES
Special to The Times

An unintentional error in the reeve section of the Galway-Cavendish and Harvey municipal election ballot does not detract from the clarity of the presentation, says township solicitor Robert Pakenham. The mistake is therefore insufficient to cause the township to nullify the electoral materials that are already in voters' hands and reissue the entire package.

Pakenham notes that the key word in this instance – the candidate's surname – has not been sufficiently compromised that it cannot be clearly read by electors.

The problem is a reversal of reeve candidate Ron Windover's name. According to the Ontario Election Act,

ballots must show a candidate's first name in standard-type, upper and lower-case letters and the last name in boldface, upper-case letters (i.e. Robert SMITH). The form shows Windover, RON.

As names must also be placed in alphabetical order from the top, this has the secondary effect of putting Windover's name second in the list instead of third, following that of Tom Flynn in the top spot and preceding that of John Sehovic, whose name should have been second.

The error happened despite careful proofreading by the township staff, CAO Pat Kemp says.

"Datafix, the company that produces the package, sent us the first draft, which contained the error, which was discovered and advised to Datafix. The second draft, which showed that the correction had been made, was approved. We believe that the first draft somehow made it to the printers."

Windover says that, while he is very upset, and has sought legal opinion, he'll wait until after the election before considering any further action. He also wonders why the township hasn't issued a statement informing the public about the situation.

Flynn expressed his concern about the inconvenience brought about to any candidate and to the public at large, while Sehovic expressed no concern. "It's too late in the process and would cause too much confusion for the electors if anything major were to be done," he said.

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Ward 2 candidates escape much of the heat

With so much of the attention focused on reeve race in Algonquin Highlands, other candidates not asked many questions at Dorset meeting

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

The three people running for two seats in Ward 2 were left out of most of the fray at the Algonquin Highlands all-candidates' meeting in Dorset on October 14, but they weren't silent for all of the two-hour debate.

Questions from the audience were geared towards economic development and the municipality's social well-being.

The meeting began with the three candidates making a pitch to the roughly 60 voters gathered at the Dorset Recreation Centre.

Ross Daniels is a third-generation cottager who became a permanent resident when he bought the family cottage three years ago. "I'm a young man looking to get involved and make a change," he said.

He is not in favour of a mega-dump and wants to invite clean, non-polluting companies to the area with incentives.

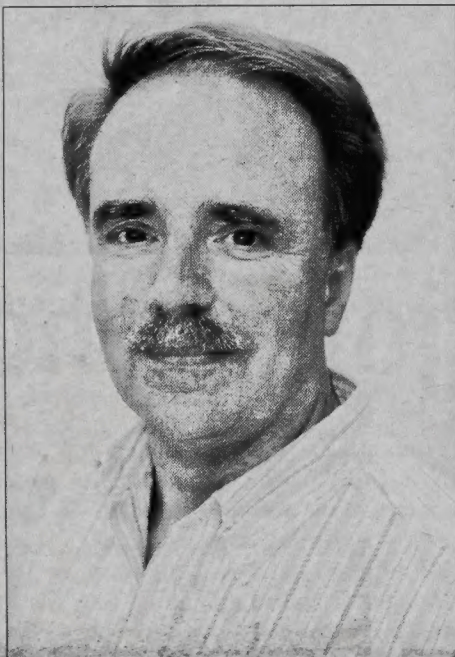
"I do not want urban sprawl but we do need growth," he said, adding that, "I don't believe the current council is providing people with value for their money...."

"I will conduct myself with honesty and integrity, always thinking of the people first."

Tom Gardner, who is the municipality's deputy-reeve, started with a quip regarding a letter that reeve candidate Gerry Morrison had written. Morrison had objected to having the debate in Dorset, at the north of the municipality, since most ratepayers live in Stanhope in the south.

"I knew you could find Dorset," Gardner said.

Gardner's family settled in the municipality in the 1860s and he cottaged here all his life before becoming a full-time resident on Halls Lake in 1990. He



Tom Gardner pointed to the achievements of the current council, including water trails and planning improvements.

resigned as president of the Halls/Hawk Lakes Property Owners' Association when he first ran for council in 1997 "to avoid any perceived conflict."

Chosen as deputy-reeve by council after being acclaimed in 2003, he sits on various municipal and county committees. Last year he attended 130 meetings.

Some of the achievements of Algonquin Highlands council have been an official plan "which will guide future development with environmental protections", a zoning bylaw with bigger setbacks, mandatory recycling and a septic system re-inspection program. The municipality took over management of the Frost Centre's water trails. It is still endeavouring to find a site where septage from holding tanks and septic systems can be disposed of.

Carol Moffatt is also a third-generation cottager. She has a degree in psychology and a diploma in journalism. She and her husband owned two local restaurants.

"Our community is changing and I want to be part of the discussion that affects those changes," she said. "I can be the conduit between what is and what can be in the future. My goal is to bring clarity to complex issues."

She has been involved in various heritage, arts and economic development projects, and is a founding board member of St. Stephen's historic church, Highlands Media Arts and Trails and Tours. In 1999 she was named Stanhope Citizen of the Year in recognition of founding the Stanhope Heritage Museum, and last year she was named Highlander of the Year in recognition of leading the Hawk Lake log chute restoration project.

After the speeches it was an hour before the three Ward 2 candidates had the opportunity to address the audience again. Most questions were geared to the two

candidates for reeve, incumbent Eleanor Harrison and Gerry Morrison. But then Ruth Ross asked candidates what they would do to keep young people in the area.

Daniels said, "My idea is to offer incentives to cottagers who own businesses in which shipping is used to move their businesses here." It would provide more opportunities and more growth.

Gardner said Haliburton Connect's project to bring high speed and fibre networks into the county will make a big difference. This will allow people who rely on computers for work to extend the length of stay at the cottage.

He also noted council's work on developing the Stanhope Airport property. It is now home to businesses that have created 17 jobs that didn't exist before. Council has also helped to create tourist attractions such as museums in Stanhope and Dorset, and "the best trail system in the county."

Council must build on these strengths; tax incentives, he believes, are not allowed under the Municipal Act.

As the former Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce events co-ordinator, Moffatt says she knows that "tourism is an apple waiting to be plucked."

"People seem to think that being a server in a restaurant is something you do until something better comes along," she said. "But you can make a really good living at it. I'd also encourage the trades. You can't hire a tradesperson in the county right now [because they're all too busy.] Even if you're an [information technology] wizard you can't do anything if your toilet doesn't flush or your lights don't turn on."

Eleanor Harrison also touched on Haliburton Connect as well as county council's decision to hire an economic development officer and a tourism marketing co-ordinator. She said the airport property is hoping to soon welcome an antique aircraft restoration business. "You just keep plugging away and hope that if you get something that provides two or three jobs, it's two or three jobs you didn't have."

Morrison said he agrees with everything that had been said. As to the county's economic development officer, "I understand he has a phenomenal budget; hopefully he's doing something with it."

Ward 2 candidates were asked what they saw as the biggest opportunity to improve the lives of their constituents.

Gardner said improving the commercial assessment it will take some of the pressure off residential taxpayers. He noted that Heat Line looked at all the other municipalities in the county before deciding to settle next to the Stanhope airport. "They knew they'd be treated fairly and keep standards up at the airport." The trail system gets people outside and active.

Moffatt said that the most important thing was to "be part of your community, be involved, be engaged. Ward 2 can't do anything on its own; it's got to be part of the greater community." In the short term everyone must be a good neighbour; in the long term they must be part of a strategic plan for the municipality.

Daniels said he'd look at the picture from a broader perspective. Heat Line is a relatively small view. He wants jobs on a larger scale. "Instead of 17, 100. Build a



Carol Moffatt says her experience on community projects indicates her ability to get things done.

better future for our young people."

The final question was about the Dorset school. There's a conditional offer to buy it from the municipality. Would candidates be willing to re-invest any profits from the sale back into Dorset?

Moffatt said it was worth looking into opportunities that would benefit youth in Dorset. Gardner said that Dorset already has a recreation centre and director; "why not have more of it?"

Harrison asked the community to put forward suggestions on how the money should be spent. Morrison agreed.

In their closing statements, Moffatt said, "I'm a big believer in community and will fight hard to retain the community we know and love. We need to have a plan for the future."

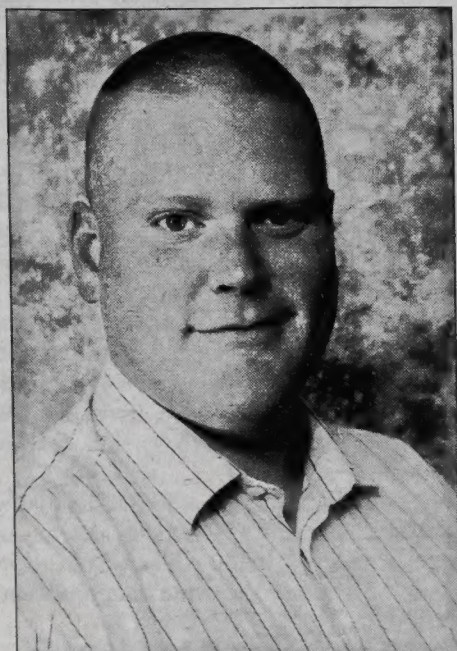
Gardner used his time to attack the "misinformation and disinformation" on Morrison's campaign brochure. It implies that Algonquin Highlands borrowed money to offset tax increases. It was the county that borrowed a million dollars and Morrison's reeve and deputy reeve in Minden Hills - where Morrison is the municipal CAO - voted in favour of the debenture. By speaking out against the move, Gardner said Morrison in effect voted against his council.

He was also shocked by Morrison's allegations that council was not open with ratepayers. "We don't make decisions behind closed doors. We're a public body. We want public input and we need it. We don't want to be Minden north."

Daniels hoped that he had struck a few chords with voters and reiterated his promise of honesty and integrity.

Morrison said, "How will I govern? I can tell you, one thing I won't do is give myself a 29.4 per cent increase in remuneration right after being acclaimed." He'd have a review of council remuneration. "Vote for change. Vote for Gerry."

Harrison said that since her salary as reeve was being discussed she'd put the number on the table. Her salary is \$21,000. I'm working 30 hours a week for that salary." She asked everyone to exercise their democratic right to vote. "Your vote has never been more important."



Ross Daniels wants to offer incentives to businesses to move to Algonquin Highlands.

Joy Fielding not only explained how she comes up with the plots and characters for her highly successful novels, she also had advice for those who dream of becoming a full-time writer. "I'd recommend it only if you don't have to worry about money. You have to really want it or be very poor or marry money," she told the crowd at Fleming College. The event was moderated by Canoe FM's Jack Brezina, left, and organized by Stanhope's Jessie Pflug and Ellie Malcomson, the two women in the background, as a way of bringing book clubs from around the county together.

Martha Perkins/TIMES



Author's talk was a joy for book lovers

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

If anything interesting has happened in your life lately, you'd better not talk about it with Joy Fielding — unless you want it to pop up in one of her books.

Writers have a habit of taking your words and giving them to one of their characters, the successful novelist told a large group of book lovers on a recent Sunday afternoon.

Asked if she's ever used the people she knows as characters in one of her books, Fielding says that one of her friends from childhood didn't talk to her for 15 years after Fielding took her friend's paranoia about her health and gave it to a character. Other than an obsession over every ache and sign of aging, the character was nothing like her friend but the similarity was enough to be seen as an act of betrayal.

Oddly enough, Fielding said, if you've painted a person you know in a bad light,

or used them to be the villain, you often have little to worry about. "They never recognize themselves," she said. "No one ever sees themselves as a bad guy."

Fielding's talk was engaging, witty, thoughtful and illuminating. She has as much control of the spoken word as she does the written. Although flustered at the end for fear that she was boring her audience, she proved that an intelligent and insightful person can write hugely popular novels.

Joy Fielding's books are the type you can buy in airport bookstores. They have a wide readership and have provided her with a very good living, one that allows her to wear Armani suits and travel the world. (Having a husband who's a lawyer doesn't hurt either, she said with humour.) As she said, they are page-turners. Her books grab your attention and keep it until the last page. A good read, yes; they are not, however, a guilty read.

The fine line between a literary novel and a successful one is like a tightrope stretched from one end of the book world to another. There was only one-time Fielding had difficulty finding the right words with which to answer a question from the nearly 100 people — overwhelmingly women — gathered in the Great Hall of Fleming College in Haliburton.

She was asked about CanLit, the word synonymous with writers such as Margaret Atwood, David Adams Richards and the late Robertson Davies. The unspoken emphasis is on the word literature. Joy Fielding, although Canadian, would not be considered a member of the CanLit crowd.

Why, someone asked, does CanLit tend to be dark and depressing?

You could almost hear Fielding editing her thought processes so that her answer would not insult CanLit writers or their readers.

"A lot tends to be regional, maybe small towns where they haven't had good experiences," she said (perhaps not the best answer for a group of people who live in small towns. The emphasis seems to be on how they're written instead of who they're written about and what those characters are doing).

Oddly enough, her choice of two favourite authors illustrated how readers can bridge the often imaginary divide

between literature and popular novels. She loves Phillip Roth, who's "profound, entertaining and funny." He's also not readily accessible for many readers, unlike Carl Hiaason whose south Florida detective novels often read like the description of a movie scene.

Fielding had no need to make apologies for writing books that are character and action driven — not that she would. Fielding writes the type of book that she likes to read. "I don't want to be bored," she said. "Whether you think they're, quote, literature, or not, I think you're entertained [by her books]. The characters are interesting and I know how to move the plot along." The key for a writer, she later said, is "to put your characters on the edge of a cliff and push them off."

At first people expected that she'd write romance because she was a woman. "I'm much too practical to be romantic," she said. "Anyone who reads my sex scenes would know that."

Women are, however, her specialty. With deference to host Jack Brezina, who was nattily turned out in a tuxedo as he taped the interview for his Canoe FM show, she said men are much simpler. "Women are complicated," she said to the applause of the handful of men in the audience who, apparently, have discovered that at their peril.

In questions from the floor, Fielding was asked about the business of writing.

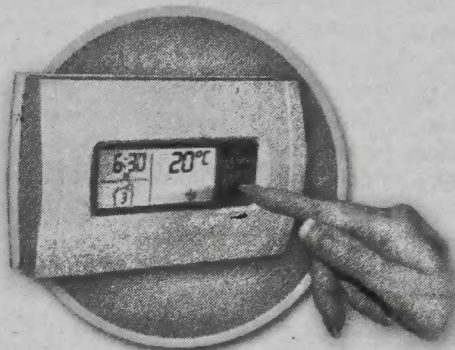
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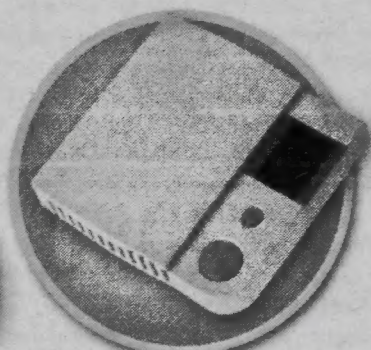
"Nobody becomes a writer to make money," she said. "The odds are you'll make under \$10,000 a year. You do it because you need to write and you want to write...."

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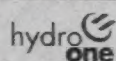
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The future's uncertain for public Internet sites

by GREG HOEKSTRA
Times Staff

Although some additional funding was recently announced, the long-term future of the community access program (CAP), which provides public Internet access across the county, remains riddled with uncertainty.

Last week county council learned that the federal government has committed to extending financial support for the program to March 31, 2007, marking the end of their fiscal year. The additional funds will allow CAP sites to continue operating while the government deliberates the program's future.

As of yet there is no indication as to whether Industry Canada plans to pull out of the project. Across Haliburton County, the CAP funds roughly 15 computer terminals in public sites, with most being tied to, or associated with, the county's public libraries.

In a press release earlier this month, Maxime Bernier, Canada's Minister of Industry, said that future options are being considered for the program, but noted that previous Liberal government had already taken steps towards phasing out federal funding for the initiative.

"It is important to note that transition work for this program was already well underway when Canada's new government came to power in February 2006," Bernier says. "In fact, it is the previous Liberal government that reduced CAP funding from \$25 million in 2005 to \$8.8 million in 2006."

"These past reductions required me and

my officials at Industry Canada to look at options for the long-term future of the program. I can assure you that this work is ongoing and all options are currently being considered."

Local CAP administrator Eric Lilius says the program was rolled out with great fanfare in 1998 with the intention of making Canada the "most connected country on the planet." Initially, there were startup costs to get the program off the ground, so it was expected that the budgets would be larger, but over time it was hoped that the program would become self-sufficient, says Lilius.

"It really was designed initially to be an infrastructure program, or 'build it and get out,'" Lilius says. "The government has not really understood the entity that it created. CAP has a huge footprint in Canada, bigger than Starbucks and Tim Hortons combined."

Since there's no real indication as to how the program will be funded after March 31, it's hard for anyone, let alone Lilius, to anticipate CAP's future in Haliburton County. However, Lilius says the county has suggested that it could pick up at least part of the tab if need be.

"The county has said in the past that they're prepared to cover some of the costs, but they'd also like to keep them as low as possible," he says. "My sense is that there is a commitment to public

access, but preferably they'd like to see it pay for itself. Up to this point they haven't had to pay much at all, because over the years it's been pretty much covered by the federal government."

Lilius says it has been difficult to make the program sustainable or self-sufficient in Haliburton County, in part because of the way the program has been managed.

"The county government became the contract holder because there was no other incorporated organization involved in the proposal writing that was able to take the contract at the time," he says.

This was problematic, however, because as a level of government, the county is ineligible for other sources of funding, says Lilius.

Likewise, because of the lack of public places suitable for public internet

access terminals, the majority of CAP sites in the county were placed in public libraries, which not only restricted the hours of operation, but also any fundraising efforts, since collecting fees is not allowed in libraries.

Lilius says he would eventually like to expand the program, but until this point his enthusiasm hasn't necessarily been met by members of the county council. "Councillors have chosen to maintain the status quo," says Lilius. "There was no will to try to work around it or come up with creative solutions."

"Ideally I would like to have every CAP

site as a multiple-computer site, all hooked up to high speed, with one computer that people could come in and book for one or two hours at a time, in case they wanted to do distance education, and another as sort of the express lane, for checking e-mails or doing small searches," he says.

Because Haliburton is a summer destination for many from larger urban centres, Lilius says it is important that public internet access be available in the community. And as far as whether and why there is a need for the program, the proof is in the pudding.

"The summer traffic is extreme. They're booked solid every day, particularly Minden and Haliburton," he says. "It drops off again once the snowbirds head south, because there's quite a group of seniors that make use of the CAP sites...but they're definitely in high demand in the summertime."

Funding for the CAP will be in place for the first quarter of 2007, and as a part of the county's 2007 budget process Lilius will be developing a proposed business plan investigating options for this service to continue in Haliburton County, should the federal government decide to discontinue its funding.

At the same time, Industry Canada will be scrutinizing the program and determining whether or not the federal government still has a role in funding the service. Once the examination is complete, the Industry Canada will "announce its decision regarding the long-term future of the Community Access Program," most likely sometime in the early months of 2007.

"My sense is there is a commitment to public access but they'd like to see it pay for itself"

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Putting a cap on funding

There will come a time in the not so distant future when the Conservative government will stop funding free Internet access in Haliburton County. And although the CAP (Community Access Program) is a very worthwhile program with many positive benefits, the federal government should never have started the program in the first place and they certainly shouldn't continue funding it.

That is not to say that free Internet access shouldn't be provided in the county, but that kind of program is the epitome of local government responsibility. The county, not the feds, should be coughing up the funds to take care of our local needs.

Firstly, to think that CAP will ever be self-sufficient in the true sense of the word is a pipe dream. Chiefly because if CAP begins to charge any meaningful fee to significantly contribute to their revenue, it would no longer be free Internet access. And it is highly immoral and wrong when government programs use tax dollars to compete with private enterprise.

So if free Internet access will always require government dollars to stay afloat, then we need to decide which level of government will pay.

Any argument suggesting that free Internet access is federal government jurisdiction is tenuous at best. It is not a matter of foreign affairs, national defense or inter-provincial relations and Ottawa's true role, as intended by the fathers of confederation, was never meant to be anything more.

Let's remember that, in theory, Canada is a federation of supposedly powerful provinces, each charged with great responsibility over their citizens. The problem is that Canadians have become accustomed to bloated federal spending programs that continuously encroach on the powers of other levels of government.

Case in point, when Paul Martin campaigned in January to establish federal day care centres in Canada, the reaction should have been outrage. Day care is, after all, education – a classic provincial responsibility. However, not only did Canadians not cry foul, many even supported the idea having become used to an increasingly powerful federal government that sought to control every aspect of our lives.

In addition to misinterpreted government responsibilities, the other problem in CAP's future is that the county is not in any financial position fund CAP because of downloaded responsibilities from the province. They are already indebted \$1 million to the bank.

In a perverted round about way, the feds are being asked to cover for the county because of what the province has done. The blurry line between who is responsible for what becomes even more confusing when governments fail to fulfill their role. Such as will be the case when the county has to turn down CAP's funding request once the feds cut it loose.

Provided that the Harper government lasts long enough to tackle the fiscal imbalance that exists between the feds and the provinces, this would be a good opportunity for all levels of government to re-evaluate what their responsibilities are and where they will get the funds to fulfill them.

The true weak link right now is the provincial Liberal government who has been downloading responsibilities to the lower tier governments without the funds to pay for them. We know that the feds are more than willing to reduce their size and powers, they said so during the last election campaign.

Likewise, we know county council is in favour of CAP and would like to fund it if they could. But they can't, and neither will the federal government for long. That leaves only the province to either reclaim some of its former jobs vis-à-vis ambulance and roads, or to provide more funding to the municipalities.

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A fright to the eyes.

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TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Perception is reality

To the Editor:

I read with interest the account of the candidates meeting and the editorial in your paper of August 18 regarding potential conflict of interest.

As a retired town administrator of a municipality of approximately 50,000 population, I absolutely agree with former CAO Gerald Bain that it is impossible to fulfill the responsibilities for each position at the same time. What I find particularly distressing is that Mr. Morrison's campaign literature says that he has 27 years of senior administrative

government experience. He should know better! How can he not recognize the obvious conflict?

Someone who is politically wiser than most of us, former Premier Bill Davis, once said, "In politics, perception is reality." The reality in this case is Mr. Morrison is showing extremely flawed judgement.

Ray King
Kushog Lake

P.S. I don't personally know either Mr. Morrison or [his opponent for reeve Eleanor] Harrison

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Gone with the wind

THERE'S A LOT OF TALK now about a French-designed car that runs, quite nicely, on compressed air. It's said, in fact, that the car will travel for about 190 kilometres on two dollars worth of fuel. Heck with those kind of savings, we could all afford a gas-guzzling SUV.

Experimental cars have always interested me. When I was younger, I invented a go-cart that ran strictly on gravity. It was the coolest thing in that it cost about \$6 to build and practically nothing to run. True, the technology had its shortcomings in that it only worked for 50 percent of the time in hilly country. But quite frankly, this type of reliability is better than that of some of the fuel-powered cars I've owned.

Even so, I never did get the federal funding required to take my prototype to the next level – reliable brakes. Moreover, my dad wouldn't give me any more rope for the steering mechanism. So yet another great enterprise folded.

The truth is, I believe that the oil companies were working behind the

scene to quash my idea. Of course, I also suspect that they flattened the prairies for the exact same reason. They're afraid of competition.

If anything, the French air car has more universal appeal, however, in that most of the world still has vast stockpiles of air. Actually, let's be blatantly honest, most of the world is run by airheads.

On the plus side, the air-powered car is touted as being a completely green alternative that is suited to urban travel right now. On the negative side, some people say that air compression will not provide the power we are used to, is noisy, dangerous, and inefficient. I believe this information came straight out of the OPEC think tank – people we can all trust.

Personally, I like the idea. First off all, it will be fun seeing some idiot try to siphon compressed air out of the

tank. Even better, is that perhaps with the right adapters, a person suffering from flatulence might fill up the vehicle for the price of a can of beans or two. I've always thought we humans were a rich and untapped source of energy anyhow.

In doing research for this column, I visited an online forum where people just about as educated as I am on engineering, physics, and technology soundly poo-pooed the idea, mostly because it is being developed by Frenchmen. I think we still resent mime, Charles De Gaulle, and their love of Jerry Lewis.

But that's beside the point. I'm not sure why we have this love affair with gas-powered vehicles that pollute, are designed to begin falling apart at 300,000 kilometres, and are prohibitively expensive to run, but it seems we do. Every time someone comes up with an alternative, people line up to

shoot it down.

I am of the other mind though. I can't believe this technology has hung on for as long as it has. Really, there is nothing good about gasoline-powered motors. All you have to do is look to your lawn mower to see that. All summer long, it causes nothing but pain and suffering.

Could it be that we have all invested too much in our cars and are afraid to let go of a technology we are comfortable with? If so, we ought to stop making jokes about Amish horse-drawn wagons, old-style answering machines, bell bottoms, mullets, and dial tone phones.

As for me, I refuse to stop making those jokes. Instead, I'd like to see the oil and automotive industries learn what real competition, environmental responsibility and the debt owed to their customers really is. I don't wish to see them wiped out – just shaken up a bit, brought down to earth, and made to realize that they aren't the only game in town.

If you ask me, that would be a breathe of fresh air.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Eye-ball to eye-ball

WHEN I LIFT MY GAZE from the book I have been reading, I find myself eye-ball-to-eyeball with a blue jay.

Only about four feet of space and a pane of glass separate man and bird. Its wings are barred with black and splotted with white.

The jay watches me watching it watching me and then another jay arrives at the same sapling and it watches both of us.

It is a perfect morning for looking at nature from the warm side of a window, another one of the gray, bespattered days that have made this the dreariest of Octobers.

The Brown Dog Jiggs is flattened out like a throw rug on the floor beside me. The only sounds are the gurgling of his stomach, the crackling of the wood fire, and a sudden rattle of snow pellets on the glass.

My window frames a painting of a Haliburton woodlot, but it is no still life. The painter put only two birds in the picture but they keep moving in and out of the frame, finding better perches.

And then I see that the two birds in the picture are not always the same two birds; there may be only two roles, but the cast keeps changing. Then a whole flock of blue jays sifts through my painting, one or two at a

time, perhaps a dozen of them eventually, like sixties hippies spilling out of an old Volkswagen.

Only last week I almost wrote that there were no blue jays around Sapsucker Ridge this fall and now they are part of every morning's walk. Even Jiggs, who ignores most birds, has taken notice.

It was blue jays that I had been reading about before I looked out the window to see one and then two and then several of them. The book is William Bryant Logan's *Oak: The Frame of Civilization*, and you can't leave jays out of a book about oaks.

Oaks and jays have been partners for thousands of years. A jay lands with his autumn flock in a tree full of acorns, picks one and shakes it to see if it is sound, discards it or seems to swallow it, then tries another until five of them fill a throat that expands for that purpose.

Logan writes that the jay carries the acorns away to bury them, one to a hole, near a forest edge. The burial sites will be in easily-dug soils, which

also happen to be the best for growing oaks.

A jay might bury more than 4,500 acorns and then remember where it put each of them well enough to come back to eat 900 of them later. It seems to remember approximately where each of them is but without a sense of smell it must be difficult to be exact.

In spring, some jays will come back again to uproot the oak seedlings and eat what is left of the acorn, a process the plant may survive.

It is jays who march oaks across our landscape. Squirrels bury their acorns about 100 feet from the tree; jays may carry theirs as much as a mile. Squirrels would take 50 oak generations to move the forest front a mile; jays can do that on their first try.

All that's according to Logan. Haliburton's red oaks and blue jays must have their own special adaptations. An autumn burial could put the nuts under two feet of February snow and my October flock may be replaced by migrants drifting in from farther north.



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

What is Minden Hills waiting for?

To the Editor:

I am a concerned parent and I believe that a crosswalk should be put at the intersection of Parkside Street and Bobcaygeon Road. What is Minden Hills waiting for? Another child to be hit? They might not be so lucky; what are they going to do next time? When another child gets hit by a car and dies, are

they going to care? NO!

They say they don't have the money. There are other ways to raise the money for the safety of the children and that's what's important. My daughter crosses from school to the Minden Skating Club and she walks to school and walks home. Even if the children look both ways, walk, run, it doesn't matter – they still can get hit and I really don't want it to be

my child or anyone else.

This fight won't stop until that crosswalk is put in or something is done, and I am prepared to fight right until the end with the other parents.

Signed concerned parent,
Mary Ottaway
Minden

Patronage

To the Editor:

As I see all of the election signs in Minden Hills, I wonder if this council if elected would have a policy that family members should not work for Minden Hills. This is certainly a small community and therefore more important than most that this policy be put in place.

Sheila Redpath
Minden

The Times is taking a different approach to our municipal election coverage. Instead of running profiles, we've asked each candidate five questions. We will run their answers in the weeks leading up to the November 13 election. #4: **School enrollment is declining. Our senior population is increasing. What specific measures would you take to enhance opportunities for youth and young families?**

Jim McMahon
Minden Hills – Reeve

As reeve I would encourage fellow council members to support the many projects delivered by the Ontario government for youth and young families. There are a number of programs offered and funded by the Ontario government and because of the extent of the various programs, this is the level of government that best subsidizes these.

We already have many fine organizations that assist children, youth and young families, from provincially-mandated organizations, service clubs, church groups, and volunteers.

I would also encourage the support of partnerships with local citizens (volunteers) to enhance programs that would assist all our residents. Ontario Early Years, Haliburton Community Living, CHACE Daycare, Trillium Lakelands District School Board, HCDC, and



many other programs/services are offered for youth and young families.

The ratepayers of this community pay for, through their taxes, a community centre and arena, many fine parks and public beaches and baseball diamonds. We, as a rural township, support local annual events and co-ordinate Canada Day, Timbersport, the Santa Claus parade and family fun night, which target youth and young families in our community. Our great staff is available for assistance to any of our ratepayers.

Wende Plante
Minden Hills – Reeve

I would like to see businesses big or small offer apprenticeship programs for our youth. Working in partnership with the local high schools, I'm sure there can be an economical solution in establishing apprenticeship programs.

The provincial government offers subsidies to business for hiring youth, this would be something for council to work on. With the help and ideas from the community we

all can work at making our community a place where young people and young families would want to live.



I would also like to see recreational programs in which local clubs and business would support and sponsor for youths. Community participation is a major part in keeping our youth and young families here. With bringing small and big business to our community we are supporting a strong positive environment for the future generations.

Establishing recreational activities in which all families can afford, it would make our community strong. Having input from our youth is also crucial to finding what recreational activities they would participate in, and would work. More activities means keeping the children off the street and letting them know they are a part of the community and that we support them.

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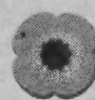
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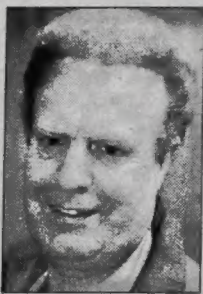
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Wally Dove Minden Hills – Reeve

I have thought about this problem often since I was born in Newfoundland where 90% of the children grow up facing the inevitability of having to leave their homes to find a job. Along with them goes the possibility of increasing school enrollment.



I must return to the cornerstone of my campaign platform and tell you that if I am elected reeve, I will ensure that we become the wealthiest community in the country because we will be able to create as much money as needed to finance everything that we want in our township.

This is based on the fact that you, the ratepayers of this township, will be able to pay your taxes simply by writing the township an unconditional promissory note. You can save your cash and cheques for other purposes such as spending freely in your community, thus creating additional jobs.

If the population starts to increase and our young people can continue to live in our community, then school enrollment will soon start to increase again.

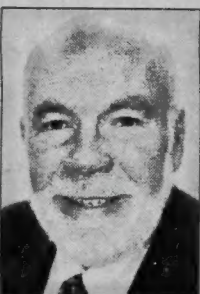
The solution to all our problems is our ability to create money, which we can by simply writing promissory notes, the only way money is created to begin with.

Albert Foster Minden Hills – Councilor at large



We need more summer and after-school employment opportunities for our youth. We must make our arena and recreation facilities available at affordable rates to our youth. Work with our merchants to make apprenticeship available to our youth e.g. plumbing and heating, electrical, mechanic, etc.

Peter Oyler Minden Hills – Councillor at Large

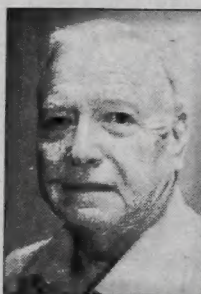


Council must work with local business including the Minden Business Enhancement Committee and its successor, new commercial development as well as secondary and post secondary education institutions including Fleming College, to ensure that the job opportunities and the provision of both 'in school' and 'on the job' education and training programs and opportunities are available for youth, parents and seniors alike.

As well, in cooperation with the Trillium Lakelands School Board and our local schools I would explore the possibility of (i) commencing and/or increasing intra mural sports activities at the lunch hour and/or after school using school staff and qualified volunteers from the community as leaders; (ii) an intergenerational club between seniors and youth using municipal and/or school facilities; (iii) promoting the expansion of cultural, art, and library programs for youth and parents alike in cooperation with our school(s), artists, musicians and service clubs using the resources of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (gallery, museum and library) including the R.D. Lawrence collection; (iv) replacing old equipment for youth including a basketball and skateboard area; (v) shared facility usage for municipal and/or school funded programming.

Larry Bullington Minden Hills Ward 1

As I indicated in my flyer, I am an advocate for attracting clean new business to the area. This would provide opportunities for the younger generation, allowing them to stay in the area and eventually raising their own families here. With job security for a growing population, more families will remain in the area and new families will want to make Minden their home, increasing future enrolment for our schools.



If we want to stay a progressive community and we do succeed in increasing the school enrollment, we must also provide more recreational programs and facilities to heighten community involvement for all ages. Consideration could be given to an indoor pool and exercise facility with numerous fitness programs to benefit every age.

In addition, a growing population will also make the area more appealing to medical personnel. More opportunity will be available to doctors and nurses who want to relocate to a smaller community and this will in turn help to improve our quality of healthcare for all age groups from youth to seniors.

Clayton Cameron Minden Hills – Ward 1

With our senior population on the increase, there are opportunities to develop our service industry. The seniors need assistance and they have ability to support their needs. There will be an opportunity for enterprising individuals to develop their business.



The development of high speed wireless communications will open up a multitude of opportunities to Minden Hills. This will bring the potential to build a whole new section for our economy that was not possible until now. It will be possible to remotely service the populated southern part of the province without actually being on site. This type of

industry is well suited to co-habitat with our existing tourist / waterfront based economy.

We need to target this type of economic potential with a specific advertising campaign.

The senior service industry and the high speed internet potential will expand and create employment for our younger adults that will have a positive effect on our school enrollment.

Ron Nesbitt Minden Hills – Ward 1

On the question of declining enrollment in our schools we need to entice younger families to relocate in the Minden area by having a youth centre, more activity geared to the younger people, better or more shopping in the area. Better parking downtown with angle parking, more like our cultural centre, our library needs to be expanded, and more walking and hiking trails, maybe an extension on the side of our bridge to allow snowmobile, ATV, and pedestrians all to have a chance to get across safely.



We need some help from the government and local business to make this happen. We need crossing guards for our children safety, or Grade 8 safety patrollers. As a fifth degree black belt, if given a central location I would gladly get the kids off the street and teach two weeks nightly karate all for no charge and the youth would also learn to respect themselves and others.

We also need more doctors and I will be working on that also. Plus if you have any ideas I would love to hear from you. We must all work together for the betterment of all.

Bill Obee Minden Hills – Ward 1

The number one way to retain and attract young adults is to offer employment. Council cannot forego taxes to entice industry; however, we can develop additional serviced industrial lands and offer them at very fair rates to

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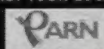
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Bill Obee continued

attract new industry and therefore increase employment. This increase will increase employment in the retail and service sectors.

Minden Hills should commit more resources to recreational activities. Young parents want and need these. Council could offer incentives for groups who want to organize activities like soccer, tennis, a book club or a chess club. We should increase the evening use of our school for some of these programs.



Demographics show that in most families both parents are involved in the work force, or one parent is supporting the children alone. Council, in conjunction with the school board, should encourage and subsidize daycare in the schools.

I have been working on our healthcare professional recruitment committee and will continue to do so, as high level, available healthcare is a

necessity to promote a growing community.

Lastly, it is imperative that we provide high speed internet to all areas of Minden Hills. Young professionals can and will work from home if they are "connected".

Lisa Schell**Minden Hills – Ward 1**

Although I believe we need to encourage new residents and business to be established in Minden Hills, I also believe we need to take care of our current residents. It sounds great to say we're going to rally to have new business opportunities, but we can't forget to encourage the local business owners who have been established here for many years. As a council we need to listen to their ideas and thoughts what would benefit their businesses. The businesses that serve us,

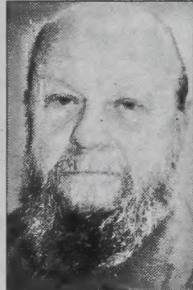
the community.

I believe as a community it is our responsibility to provide opportunities for current residents as well. There is no doubt we need to provide more activities for our youth. At the recent all-candidates meeting at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, my recommendation was that the community centre should be more available to youth and families.

I also believe we need to do everything we can to encourage more doctors to come to our beautiful town and establish practices. Advertising and marketing in larger centres and universities would possibly be a way to do this. Although we need our town to grow, I don't want to see the beautiful landscape of our riverfront change.

Lou Trepanier**Minden Hills – Ward 1**

School enrollment is declining because our graduating youth are leaving this area to find jobs, they marry and raise a family where they find the jobs or start a business.



As I have always said, smart growth is the only answer, new clean small and medium size industry or this new Canadian Tire store that would employ 40 or more at one time. We must canvas new industry

and business to come to Minden, just as we are attempting to interest new doctors and other health specialist to practice where they play.

This is the only way to keep our graduating youth here in the county, to work, play and raise a family that in turn will help sustain our growing aging communi-

ty. It is within our power to do just that, but we must act now.

We will also need new and better recreational facilities for this new generation of youth and their families. Again I say we must have what it takes to keep our young people healthy and happy and busy, if we want them to stay and be the new blood that will take over and one day becomes our community leaders.

Barbara Reid**Minden Hills – Ward 2**

Minden Hills would be a desirable place for youth and young families if they can

a) find jobs, b) find affordable housing and c) find things to do in the community.

Our rising senior population presents an opportunity to serve the needs of seniors. Seniors need all sorts of services including home maintenance,

transportation, financial, personal care and more. Minden Hills needs to get involved in helping energetic self-starters access the resources they need to find out what it takes to start a business and deliver these services.

Minden Hills could facilitate the building of a multi-unit townhouse development which would provide affordable housing for young families. This complex could be anchored by a community centre that would have sports and cultural rooms available for use by the entire community.

Minden Hills should encourage and assist community-based initiatives to provide evening and weekend activities for youth in Minden Hills. A committee of Minden Hills youth could be formed and tasked to present a short-list of ideas to council.

If elected, I will bring the creativity and energy required to identify specific measures that are affordable and actionable.

Pam Sayne**Minden Hills – Ward 2**

I started youth groups in several communities. Minden Hills' youth need opportunities to shape their community. Youth have good ideas. They need to be heard. We need to support their initiatives. Formal support from council would be a good start.

This is a terrific community for young families and youth. It

has been a terrific place to raise a child. Archie Stouffer Elementary School and Haliburton Highlands Secondary School have been like an extended family for us. When we moved here Kieran was in Grade 5 and introduced as the kitty from the city. Now, graduated, he is a Haliburtonian through and through and lets his city friends know we do things differently up here. He, like us, are proud members of the community.

The rural area provides unique opportunities for kids to express their creativity and skills. There is a need for better awareness and accessibility for organized programs and activities. The lack of public transportation can be inhibiting if taxi or other means cannot be arranged. Better public transportation could assist both youth and seniors. Family Services provides good expertise on local kids needs. (There is discussion about a skateboard contest and the seniors are ready to be judges.)

Ingram Wessell**Minden Hills - Ward 2**

Yes, school enrollment is declining and our senior population is increasing and the seniors are a great group of people.

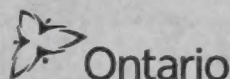
I'm not sure what the answer is. I believe some of the problem is there has not been much future staying in Minden Hills for young people so therefore our young families move to the areas where



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there is more work, higher wages, and more possibilities so when our young married couples move away they of course take their children with them. We are then losing our young people that should be in our schools.

Being a big advocate of new industry coming to Minden Hills, I believe if we can encourage more businesses to come to Minden Hills the wage scale will increase so that a man and his wife can afford to raise their family in this area and then we will have more children entering our schools.

Algonquin Highlands

Eleanor Harrison Algonquin Highlands – Reeve

Several factors influence declining school populations and school closures in Ontario. Some of these factors reach beyond the control of municipal councils such as birth rate trends, the end of the "Baby Boomer" era and current funding practices linked to Ontario's public education system.

The trend of population migration to larger urban cities is not unique to this area. It is important that we as local politicians focus on developing our economic strengths and take advantage of opportunities to create jobs for our younger families. Tourism is a major economic engine in rural areas such as our and as members of council we must encourage new tourism opportunities and nurture those that already exist.

I worked with county council to create an economic development and tourism department with appropriate resources to entice, promote and develop opportunities in Algonquin Highlands and the County of Haliburton. I will continue to pursue environmentally friendly businesses which, hopefully, will encourage more young families to relocate to Haliburton County. I am also aware of the shortage of skilled labourers, plumbers, electricians, etc. in Haliburton County and maybe it is time for us to market this shortage.

Tom Gardner Algonquin Highlands – Ward 2

The school board has made a presentation to county council looking for opportunities to partner because of declining enrollments. The library board feels that it would be a good idea to locate public libraries on school properties. This would create larger libraries, which could be open longer hours and not duplicate services in the larger centres. It would also offer librarian services in schools and larger collections of books.

As our senior population increases, they will require more services and this creates opportunities for more employment. Jobs have been created around the airport, for instance, that are higher paying and allow workers to earn a good living and be able to afford to buy houses.

Our township employs a full-time recreation coordinator. We have programming year round. We run such programs as soccer, swimming lessons, tennis and basketball. Facilities in the township include ball diamonds, tennis courts, waterfront parks, skating rink, squash court, gymnasium and weight room. The recreation committees that I serve on are always looking for new members and new ideas to enhance our programs. Also our hiking trail system is the best in the county. These all contribute to an active and healthy lifestyle appealing to all segments of our population.

Carol Moffatt Algonquin Highlands – Ward 2

Algonquin Highlands is doing a good job of providing opportunities for youth.

We have a recreation centre in Dorset that offers all sorts of indoor and outdoor activities, and we are the only municipality with a full-time recreation coordinator.

We have wonderful trails and some excellent, well-attended programs for kids. I'd like to see that programming enhanced and expanded, especially back into Stanhope.

I wonder if our libraries are under-utilized due to old-fashioned methodologies.

Should we establish a Youth Council so young people can have a voice?

I'd like to see more events like the trade symposium held at ASES. How about modernized versions of home ec. and shop back in schools; partnerships between the high school and groups like Highlands Media Arts; emphasis on the trades with better incentives for journeypersons; more courses on culinary skills and managerial training (but these are county issues).

Some kids aren't involved due to family issues, and some kids simply aren't interested in what's offered - council can't change that. We also have to acknowledge that at a certain age, kids want to hang around with friends, unsupervised, and no amount of money, social programs, or basketball courts will change that.

Ross Daniels Algonquin Highlands – Ward 2

I believe that we need to encourage more business to move into our area by making it more convenient; offer incentives; the space is here; the housing is available. This is such a beautiful area and to quote a famous line from a Kevin Costner movie, "If you build it they will come"

The answer is simple: "Convenience."

Councillors don't object to CAO's decision to run

by BRYN WEESE
Times staff

The question of whether current Minden Hills council supports the township's CAO running for reeve in Algonquin Highlands has come up twice during the election campaign. Once at the Algonquin Highlands all-candidates' meeting and again, more recently, at the candidates' meeting Minden Hills.

Councillor at large Peter Oyler said that there is no conflict of interest and, at the Minden Hills all candidates' meeting, he said that Morrison would use his in-lieu and vacation time when conducting his affairs as reeve if elected. If not, Oyler said, he would hold Morrison accountable.

"Council hasn't had a chat as a whole with respect to it [Morrison running]," he said. "But obviously with him running there is no conflict of interest, there is no pecuniary interest, there is no moral conflict and there is no ethical conflict."

Oyler has heard of similar cases around the province where senior employees of one municipality are councillors or heads of council in a neighbouring township.

"Unless pecuniary matters [of interest to Morrison] come to the table, he doesn't have to declare a conflict of interest and, quite frankly, were he elected, it might strengthen ties between the two municipalities in relation to common issues that face both municipalities."

"We live in a democracy," he adds, "and he is fully entitled to run [for elected office] as long as there is no conflict of interest and clearly he doesn't have one."

Current Ward 1 councillor Clayton Cameron says that he was not consulted about Morrison's decision to run but was only told after Morrison had filed his nomination papers.

Cameron works as the director of public works in the Township of Severn near

Orillia.

"I use my vacation days for council meetings," he says. "And if council has to call a special meeting, sometimes I can't make it."

As far as Cameron is concerned, he doesn't foresee any timing problems for Morrison, so long as the current council schedules of both municipalities stay the same.

"If their meetings were the same days as our meetings, it could be a problem. If they weren't and he used his vacation time, it should be okay."

But, Cameron does have reservations about Morrison's role at county council.

"To work in one municipality and then to be reeve at another one where you're going to have to go to county council is a problem because there are times when he writes letters for Minden Hills to county council. How does that work? That could be a problem," Cameron says. "I would only hope that his employment [with Minden Hills] would take priority over his council position [in Algonquin Highlands]. I have to look at it from a Minden Hills' point of view that he has to give priority to his position in Minden Hills. If he didn't, then we'd have to take a look at it."

Cheryl Murdoch, the acclaimed deputy reeve of Minden Hills, says that council had known of Morrison's intentions for a while and that she was okay with his decision to run.

Murdoch, who sits on county council and would be joined by her CAO if he were elected as Reeve in Algonquin Highlands, doesn't see any obvious complications with the possible arrangement.

"I haven't given it a whole lot of thought but I don't think I have a problem with it, I really don't," she said. "I can see some positive things happening. I've never been in a crossover situation but I know that it's been done in other places and there have been some positive spin-offs from it."

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Traffic reconstruction expert Constable Brad Pearsall examines data as he tries to figure out how a truck flipped on Highway 21 at Conestoga Road Saturday.

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ditch and rolled over the intersection of Conestoga Road. The man was the only person in the vehicle.

Police say the man wasn't wearing a seat belt, and liquor and controlled substances were seized at the scene.

The man was taken to Minden hospital, where he was airlifted to Toronto's Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre.

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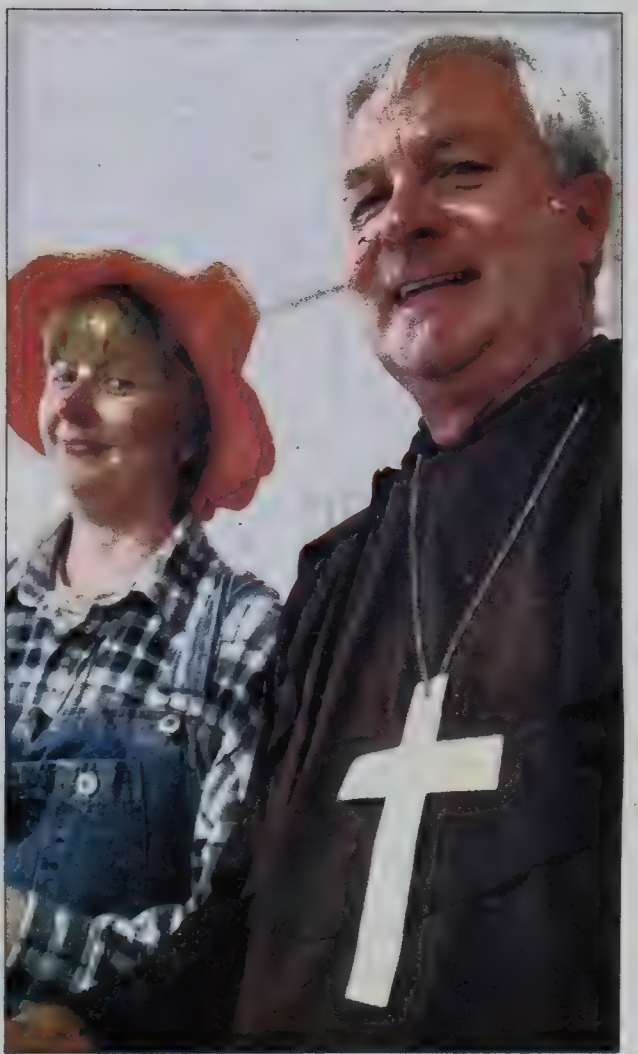




Silly kids, Hallowe'en is for adults too!

Photos by Bryn Weese

It wasn't just the children who dressed up for Hallowe'en this year. All throughout Minden, witches, goblins, clowns, cowboys and angels donned their finest. Top left, Minden Hills Treasurer Mary Jane Irwin tries to get a laugh. Top centre, Deputy Clerk Laura Cunliffe was dressed like a witch. Top right, another township employee was looking disco-ish. At left, Dr. Nikolai Davis at the Minden Animal Hospital was a pink cowgirl and behind her, Lynn Henderson was a friendly witch. At right, Minden Hills Environment and Property Operations manager Bob Romberg shares a laugh and a prayer with a fellow employee.



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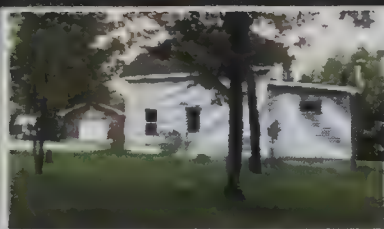


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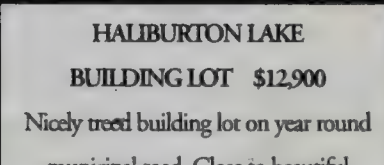
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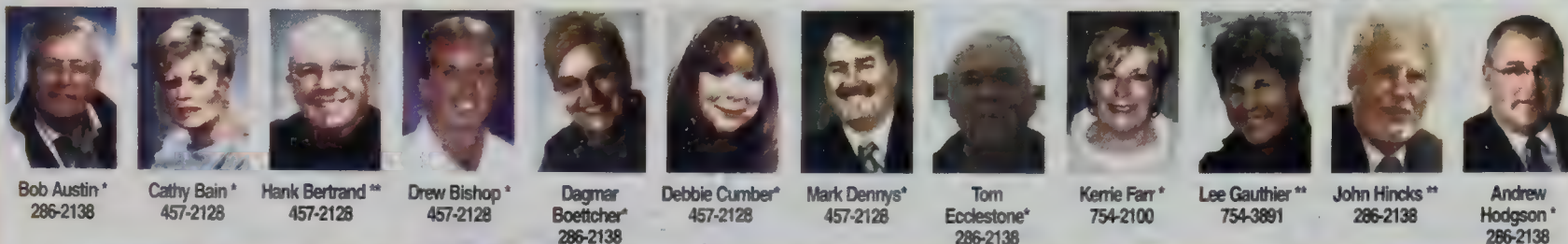
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Candidates favour making garbage a county issue

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the county level.

Clayton Cameron, who's seeking re-election as a Ward 1 representative, was the sole exception. He said that to put waste management at the county level might be more difficult than people thought and that it might not be the ideal solution. He added, "incineration is a good idea, but the province, currently, won't let us."

Peter Oyler, who's seeking re-election as councillor at large, McMahon, Ingram Wessell, who's seeking re-election as in Ward 2, all agreed that waste management should be a county responsibility and that alternatives to landfills should be pursued.

As Wessell pointed out, neither the municipality nor the county would be able to pursue alternative waste disposal methods without provincial approval, "but the Ministry of Environment is so thick in the head" that it will not consider it.

Oyler added that the county should lobby the provincial government to allow Haliburton, in conjunction with other neighbouring counties, to look at incineration as a possible alternative.

Another contentious issue plaguing Minden Hills since the completion of the zoning bylaw is that one commercial vehicle of any size can be parked in residential zones.

Verne Brinsmead, a Minden Hills resident, was the first to raise the issue.

Calling council's zoning bylaw "abysmal planning," he asked all candidates to express their opinion on the "logging truck in every driveway" bylaw.

Cameron, a supporter of the bylaw when it was before council, reiterated his support, saying "it was the right thing to do," to rousing applause from the audience.

Ward 2 candidate Pam Sayne said that she could understand some of the noise concerns because she once had a neighbour who operated a big truck. "I think we should look at it on a case-by-case basis," she said.

Ward 2 candidate Barbara Reid said that she supported the parking of commercial vehicles in residential zones up to a certain size, but she was not in favour of allowing one vehicle of any size in all driveways.

"I don't know what the solution is," she said, "but being able to park a vehicle of any size in residential driveways is not the ideal solution."

Councillor at large candidate Albert Foster, who used to drive a fuel truck, cautioned that safety should be taken into account. He said that he used to park his truck, full of fuel, outside his house every night. He said that that was dangerous and that "safety should be a concern."

Oyler said that since the Ontario Municipal Board has questioned the legality of the new zoning bylaw pertaining to commercial vehicles, the new council will have to revisit the issue. He did say he supported the truckers.

"Anyone who drives a truck has the

right to take that truck home," he said, adding that his support applied to the cab only and should not include the trailer. "Of course I support the truckers because without the truckers we don't have a community, but without the community the truckers won't have jobs."

McMahon said he supported the truckers' right to drive their vehicles home at the end of the night, as did Plante, providing they weren't causing a disturbance.

Reeve hopeful Wally Dove said that council's position on the matter was moot.

"It really isn't my opinion that matters, it's yours," he said. "We are supposed to do what you want. The community should make the decisions, not council."

Another question, asked by resident Bernie Davis and answered exclusively by current councillor at large Peter Oyler, was about Minden Hills' CAO Gerry Morrison running for reeve in Algonquin Highlands and specifically whether he would be working as reeve in Algonquin Highlands while on Minden Hills taxpayers' time.

"There is no conflict of interest under the Municipal Act," Oyler said. "He will be conducting his affairs if elected as reeve on lieu and vacation time. If he fails his responsibility to Minden Hills, I will hold him accountable."

Earlier, Morrison's name was raised by Ann Barker who asked what Jim McMahon thought of Morrison's comments that he would not have supported the \$1 million loan that county council had taken to ease the tax burden on ratepayers.

"Gerry Morrison is not at the county table so it's easy for him to say that," McMahon said.

Another question, posed to all the candidates, was how they intended to encourage year-round economic growth and create more opportunities for Minden's youth.

Answering first, Wally Dove said that there were limits to what council could do, but he did say, "I can tell you now that money is not an obstacle under my plan." (See his response in this week's question to the candidates section.)

Oyler said that the largest employer in the county was the tourism industry and that council could do more to create tourism-related jobs by working with Fleming College in Haliburton.

Barbara Reid, commenting on the opportunities for youth, said that she would like to see a recreational facility built that would house, among other things, a theatre, basketball courts and a swimming pool. She said such a facility would give young people things to do as well as help attract more people to the area.

She added that council should be encouraging "budding entrepreneurs" by organizing and facilitating workshops and training sessions for people on how to start and run a successful business.

Pam Sayne said that while she would love to see a "mega-rec centre" built in Minden, a short-term solution was also



Bryn Weese/TIMES

The large crowd at Archie Stouffer Elementary School patiently listened as candidates responded to questions. But if voters expected a debate, they were disappointed. Few sparks flew at the polite and well-run meeting.

needed. She suggested that money be set aside in each year's budget for children to start up their own small businesses. The children would have to present their ideas to council, she said.

Ron Nesbitt, one of seven Ward 1 candidates, said that, as a martial arts teacher, he would like to create a martial arts program to teach Minden's youth some respect.

Clayton Cameron, commenting on how to encourage year-round economic growth, said that the broadband Internet being brought to the county by W3 Connex would provide a "major boom" to the township's economic growth.

Lisa Schell, another Ward 1 candidate, said that while she would also love to see a pool in Minden, a short-term goal would be to make the community centre and arena more accessible to children by setting aside more free time and organizing activities there.

Larry Bullington, also a Ward 1 candidate, agreed with Schell that the arena and

community centre should be used more to provide opportunities for the town's children. Also, he said, one of his priorities would be to attract new, environmentally clean business to Minden.

Diane Wigley, a candidate for Ward 1, said that the children should decide what council should be doing for them.

"We should be asking the children and youth what they want," she said. "But we most certainly need something for the children to do."

Lou Trepanier, the last Ward 1 candidate to answer the question, said that there were too many young people hanging out on the streets and something needed to be done. He added that attracting small to medium-sized environmentally-friendly businesses and industry to the area would be a priority of his.

Canoe FM, which recorded the all candidates' meeting, will air it in its entirety on Monday November 5 on 100.9.

Ballots must be received by the township office by 8 p.m. on November 13.

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Put away your curling broom and take out your stick

by DON PFLUG
Special to The Times

What is a Stick Bonspiel? Many senior curlers throughout the curling sport suffer from ailments such as hip replacements, bad backs, arthritis etc. that impairs their ability to deliver rocks in the conventional manner. For several years these curlers have been delivering their rocks from a standing position using their brooms to deliver the rock, in a similar manner to shuffleboard. This has enabled many curlers to continue their participation and enjoyment of the sport.

Stick curling has been an important part of the Minden Senior Curling Club for a number of years, and each year, free training courses and clinics are offered.

The Ontario Curling Association has announced this year, a provincial stick bonspiel championship program which will include eight bonspiels around the province from November to March with the finals taking place April 1 to 4. The Minden bonspiel and the OCA's strong support of stick curling is great news for many curlers.

The Minden Stick Bonspiel, taking place at the Minden Curling Club, Tuesday, January 30, 2007 will be "mixed" with teams composed of four players, 50 years and over, of any combination of men & women playing in any position. There will be two eight end games and lunch for only \$80 per team entry fee.

Contact Ted Wilkes at 705-488-2667 or the Minden Curling Club at 286-3311 for more information.

MINDEN LANES

Seniors Mixed 636 October 30

Men

High Average: Bob Vankoughnet, 199
High Single: Bob Vankoughnet, 217
High Triple: Bob Vankoughnet, 593
High Single w/hdcp: Peter Worrell, 283
High Triple w/hdcp: Jim Smith, 691

Women

High Average: Estella Burch, 148
High Single: Doreen Francis, 172
High Triple: Georgi Parkes, 436
High Single w/hdcp: Flo Roussel, 246
High Triple w/hdcp: Georgi Parkes, 670



Casey Lissard/TIMES

Seniors will host Kawartha championships

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School senior football team will host Adam Scott Saturday to face off for the Kawartha championships. Game time is 12:30 p.m. at the HHSS football field. The Red Hawks advanced to the championships after shutting out Holy Cross Thursday, above.

CARNARVON BOWLING RESULTS

Tuesday Afternoon, October 24

High Average: Ken Thompson 210; Lillian Mattsson 176
High Single: Ernie Winterburn 243; Lillian Mattsson 259

High Single HC: Jim Finlay 286; Lillian Mattsson 301
High Triple: Ken Thompson 653; Lillian Mattsson 614
High Triple HC: Claude Coté 703; Lillian Mattsson 740

Tuesday Night, October 24

High Average: Ken Thompson 225; Marlene Robinson 187
High Single: Ken Thompson 286; Marlene Robinson 262

High Single HC: Ken Thompson 295; Marlene Robinson 294

High Triple: Ken Thompson 754; Marlene Robinson 608

High Triple HC: Ken Thompson 763; Marlene Robinson 704

Robinson 704

Wednesday Afternoon, October 25

High Average: Ken Thompson 223; Marie Thompson 176
High Single: Ken Thompson 238; Marie Thompson 202

High Single HC: Jim Chamberlain 252; Judy Phipps 263

High Triple: Ken Thompson 643; Marie Thompson 533
High Triple HC: John Whitty 685; Judy Phipps 744

Thursday Afternoon, October 26

High Average: Ken Thompson 199; Josie Cheesman 171

High Single: Ken Thompson 264; Helen Skelding 208
High Single HC: Bruno Campagnolo 282; Helen Skelding 287

High Triple: Bruno Campagnolo 607; Helen Skelding 491

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Legion celebrates landmark anniversary

by GREG HOEKSTRA
Times Staff

John McGrath of Kinmount was only 16 when he joined the 45th Battery in Lindsay at the onset of WWII. He was the first man from Kinmount to enlist in the forces, and he would also be the first to die.

Five years into battle, on July 24, 1944, McGrath was killed by an 88 shell in Caen, a village in Normandy. Alongside an estimated 45,000 Canadian troops, McGrath made the ultimate sacrifice for his country, so it's only fitting that Legion Branch 441 in Kinmount forever bear his name.

On October 21 the Royal Canadian Legion John McGrath Branch 441 celebrated its 60th anniversary as an organization, and local comrades, dignitaries, and guests from the community all turned out to celebrate the occasion with dinner, drinks, and a number of speeches.

President John Deak was pleased to welcome all to the ceremony, particularly Deputy Zone Commander Joe Kelly, Comrade Reg McGrath (a veteran himself, and brother to John), local MP Barry Devolin, local MPP Laurie Scott, Galway, Cavendish, Harvey Reeve Tom Flynn, City of Kawartha Lakes Mayor Barbara Kelly, and keynote speaker Don Hubbs, the Ontario Command Honourary Treasurer.

"I bring you best wishes on this special anniversary and hope that you will still be a vibrant branch 60 years from now," said Comrade Hubbs. "I'm very pleased tonight to see that you have some of your charter members still here."

Zone Commander Kelly also underlined the importance of the Legion's need to evolve and adapt to Canada's ever-changing social fabric. With fewer veterans in the Legion each year, the face of the organization has already begun to change, and this is a necessary change if the Legion is to continue to flourish and thrive in the years to come.

"As you know, our membership is getting smaller and smaller. We need all the advice we can get...otherwise, some of our Legions will be closing," he said.

Devolin shared his thoughts and reflections with Legion members as well, and paid tribute to the sacrifice and loyalty that servicemen continue to show to our nation to this day.

"Sometimes one of the toughest parts of my job is being away from my children and spending four or five days a week away from home," Devolin said. "But when I think back to World War II, and the fathers that headed out not knowing if they would come back, and not knowing for how many years it would be, it makes what I deal with such a tiny inconvenience."

Devolin, who was also in Lindsay earlier that day for its branch's 80th anniversary, said he was honoured to have been invited to celebrate alongside the comrades in Kinmount, and joked that he would be calling his grandfather later that evening to say it was a "two Legion Saturday."

"It's got to be a good Saturday if you hit two Legions," he said.



Above: Veterans gathered to celebrate the Kinmount Legion's 60th anniversary. Pictured in the front row (from left to right) Crde Russ Spenceley, Crde Norm Silver, and Crde Art Owens. In the back row (from left to right) Crde Don Hubbs, Ontario Command Honourary Treasurer, Crde Reg McGrath, Crde Joe McNamara, and Crde Jack Carson. Left: MPP Laurie Scott chats with Branch 441 charter member Reg McGrath and his wife Shirley.

Photos by
Greg Hoekstra

Local MPP Laurie Scott, who grew up and attended public school in Kinmount, addressed her hometown crowd and brought congratulations from Queen's Park.

"I'm looking here at the list of the charter members, and I think I remember more than half of them, which speaks to my age maybe," she joked.

"But it's quite a contribution that our small community made to Canada so I think there's a lot to be proud of on this 60-year anniversary. There are a lot of good memories here, and we all need to help our Legion survive, you're right Joe."

But perhaps the most touching speech of the night came when Comrade Reg McGrath, one of only two charter members remaining, spoke to the crowd of his peers, neighbours, and good friends from the community.

"It was a great privilege for me to be a charter member of this Legion," he said. "It's a pleasure for me to be here today. I was here on the 50th anniversary, and I hope to be here for the 70th."

"I said to my son, who is sitting right over there, that it's nice to be in paradise. So thank you all," he said.

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There will be Flu Shot Clinic at the Dorset Seniors Centre on Hwy 117 on Wednesday, November 29 from 3 to 8 p.m.

The annual Dorset Volunteer Fire Department food and toy drive for the Salvation Army will take place on Wednesday, December 6. Keep this in mind when you see specials on in the stores and take advantage of sales to stock up now.

You don't have to watch television to learn all the distressing acts people do to each other or nature plans against us. Just visit your branch of the Haliburton County Public Library and there you'll find books on war, pollution, love affairs gone sour, endangered species, murders, plagues, drought, floods, crime and any other depressing thing you want to know about. So visit your branch this week to ask for the disaster of your choice but please, forgive the Library staff for being helpful and friendly.

Birthday wishes for the week of October 29 to November 4 go out to Jeffrey Roberts, Verne Johnson and Happy 17th Anniversary to my wonderful husband Joe. Celebrate and have fun on your (our) special day!

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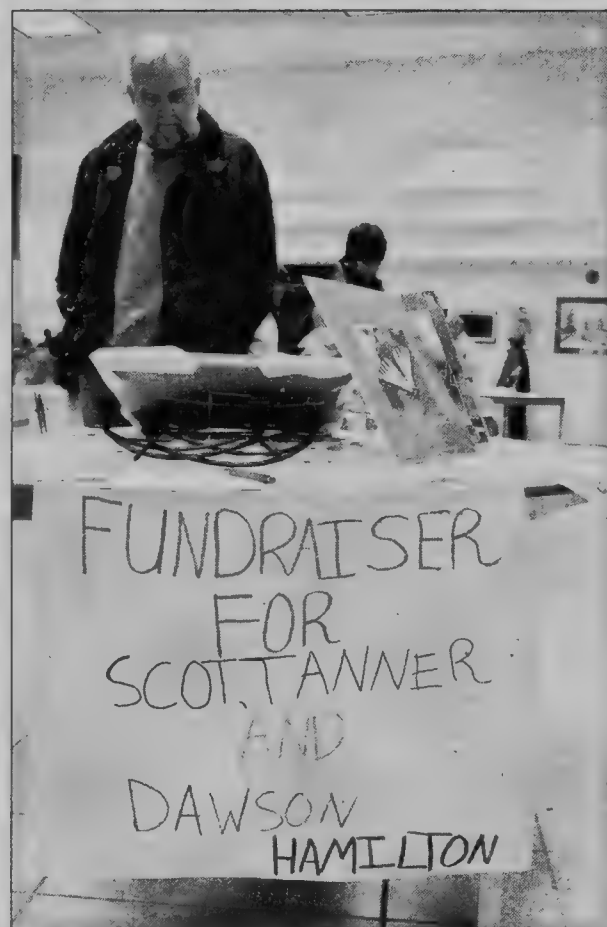
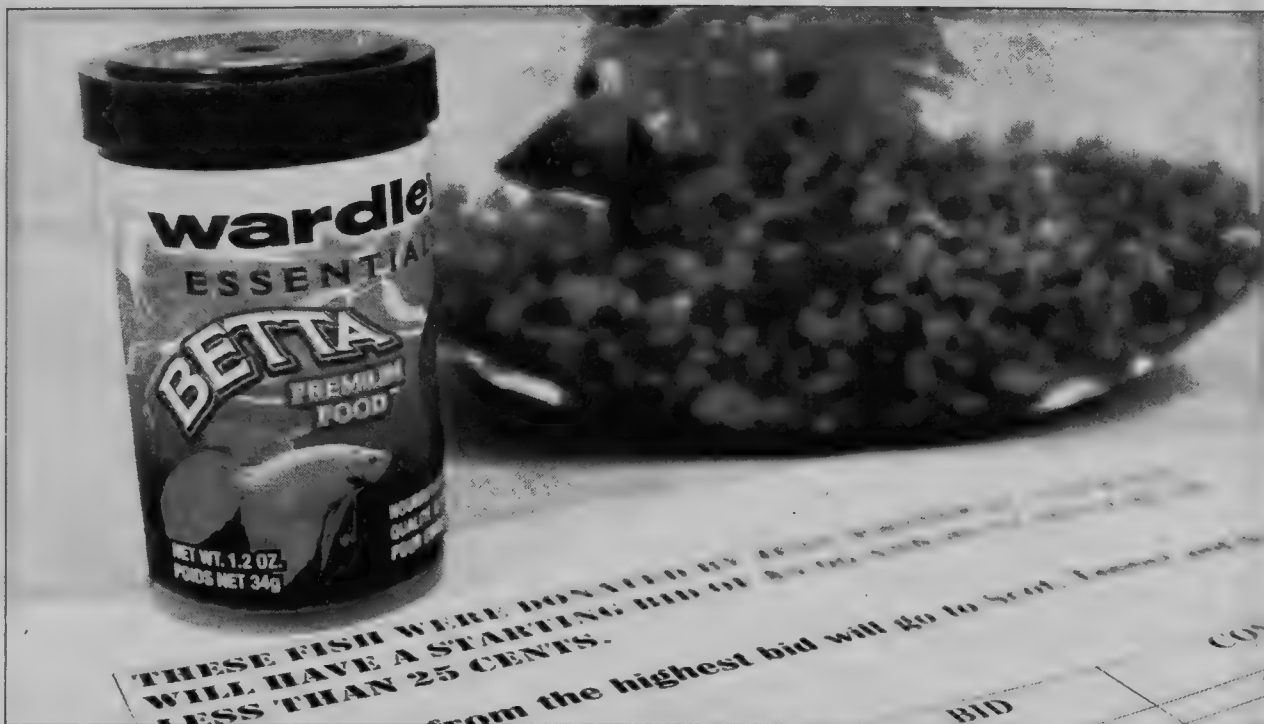
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The silent auction and yard sale at Archie Stouter this past weekend raised over \$9,000 for the Hamilton family. While Dawson was in Toronto bravely battling leukemia, his father Scot and his older brother Tanner helped out at the fundraiser. In addition to the assortment of items up for auction, including two beta fish, a late entry into the auction were Raptors and Leaf tickets generously donated by David Latimer, director of Kilcoo Camp. At left, Jack Brezina scans a table of items while at right, a young buyer tries to acquire some miniature hockey sticks. Photos by Bryn Weese

Local geocacher gets infected by travel bugs

Wants to send the three geocaching prizes home

by BULLFROG AND LILYPAD
Special to the Times

Dave Bulford and his wife Lily are on a mission to send an Oregon resident and his three siblings home. The only problem is that the Oregonians they have found are seed pod travel bugs, and the fourth in the set is in Arizona.

The four travel bugs, actually artistic wooden shells lashed together with leather, started in Washington State, U.S.A., and were first released in December 2005 in the islands of Trinidad and Tobago in the Caribbean.

In September 2006, the Bulfords of Hall's Lake, aptly named the "Bullfrog Eh-Team", found one of the travel bugs in a cache in Central Ontario. They used the geocaching.com website to find the locations of the other three travel bugs and their ultimate goal to be reunited and returned home. The Bulfords then endeavoured to find and unite two more of the 'podmates.' One was in Orono, which they missed, and then later reappeared in Port Hope. The other, previously located in Northern Quebec made it's way to Ottawa. By driving approximately 1,500 miles in all, the Bullfrog Eh-Team has brought three of the four wooden trinkets together.

These three travel bugs have already travelled over 26,600 miles and were also used in a local geocaching workshop in Wilberforce (www.geocachingcapitalofcanada.com) this fall. Recently, the travel bugs were released back into another cache as a team of three.

Their goal is now to be reunited with the fourth matching travel bug, which in October 2006 was in Tucson, Arizona.

Bullfrog Eh-Team urges any geocachers who find these travel bugs to keep them fastened together, but log the three travel bugs individually for a nice jump in your travel bug score. You might search out the current location of the fourth partner (TBNDTJ), and head these three in that general direction.

If you put a watch on any of these travel bugs, you'll share in the excitement of this partially-achieved goal.



Dave Bulford holds up the geocaching seed pod travel bugs that he and his wife Lily are trying to send back home to Oregon via the geocaching network. Photo by Bryn Weese.

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Remembrance Day services held on different dates



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Just a reminder as Remembrance Day approaches that area services are scheduled on different dates.

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount will hold its first service at Burnt River cemetery this Sunday, November 5 at 9 a.m. then proceed to Burnt River United Church afterwards. On Friday, November 10 Branch 441 will be at Gelert for a service at 1 p.m. On Remembrance Day, Saturday, November 11 the service will be at the cenotaph in Kinmount starting at 10:30 a.m. and later that day in Gooderham at 2 p.m.. Be sure to purchase your poppy and wear it with pride in support of our veterans, our troops overseas and the contributions our Legions make to our communities here at home.

Here is an important announcement with regard to Kinmount minor sports registration. While there will not be ice hockey at the Kinmount Arena this season due to necessary repair work, alternate arrangements are being negotiated with Minden Hills Arena for ice time on Sundays. Registration will be held at the Kinmount Independent Grocer-Foodtown anytime during store hours through to November 12. Players of all ages are welcome; the cost will be approximately \$40 per participant.

The Galway Hall Committee invites everyone to its delicious Turkey Supper at the Hall on Saturday, November 4 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.. The hall is on the Galway Road south of Kinmount off Cty. Rd. 121. This dinner is an annual tradition and a great time to enjoy good food and fellowship.

On the following weekend "Let Us Do The Cookin'." The Ladies Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion is hosting its annual Turkey Dinner on Saturday, November 11 at the Kinmount Legion from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.. Enjoy a full dinner with all the trimmings and homemade pies for dessert. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$4.50 for children 10 years and under with pre-schoolers free.

The Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will hold its next meeting on November 8 in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre with doors open at 6 p.m., elections for the 2007 Executive at 6:30 p.m. and the popular "Bring An Ancestor" event at 7 p.m. Attendees have the opportunity to share stories and items related to a special person on their family tree. Everyone is welcome, there is



The Kinmount Lions Club held its 2006 fundraising draw on October 9. The winner of the ATV was Wayne Hood of Lindsay. From left are 1st Vice Lions Doug King, Paul Prentice of Prentice Power Sports, Draw chairman Lion Vic Ballik, ATV winner Wayne Hood, President Lion David Anderson.

no charge and refreshments are available. For more information contact Gail Leach-Wunker at 286 - 2225.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

October 24 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: Top team members were Pearl Cowen and Grace Barrack with 313 points followed by George Hamilton and Joan Boldt at 292 and Laura Carnegie partnered with Connie Sawyer 256. The afternoon's low score went to Flo Roussel and Joan Meadows at 189.

October 24 euchre at Lochlin: High scores were recorded by George Bartley and Emily Harvie with Hazel Benetin and Barb Carpenter taking the lows. Isabelle Saunders won the draw and Helen Burk had the most lone hands. Thanks to Betty Hicks for this update.

October 24 bid euchre at Minden Legion: First place went to Vi Howell at 272 with Wayne Jones 253 second and Isobel Cherwenks 250 third. Isobel also took a moonshot along with Tom Grix while Vi Howell, Gala Stamp, Isobel Cherwenka and Jesse Barlow held the hidden scores.

October 24 contract bridge at Stanhope: Leading the scoring was Howie Ryan at 5100 points followed by Liv Andersen 4940, Kelly Metcalf 4780 and Ross Davies 4720. Jean Jackson won the lucky draw and Paul Pethick the Shiny Penny while Howie Ryan received the "V.R.E. Award for moving ahead like Von Ryan's Express.

October 25 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South winners at 63% were Margo Davidson and Muriel McIntosh with Harold Cox and Ross Fletcher second at 56%. East/West honours by a fraction went to Bruce Armstrong partnered with Howie Ryan at 55.3% then in second spot at 55.0% were Eleanor and Vern Gilbert.

October 25 bid euchre at Stanhope: Moonshots landed on Bill Milford, Willie Cox and Kevin Maloney. Dick Coffey and Helen Henderson tied for first place at 302 with Don Burch 240 second and Bill Matthews 232 third. Topping the pinks was Muriel Harrington 274 then Edith Burch 247 and our reporter Gala Stamp 236.

October 25 Kinmount Seniors euchre at Kinmount

Legion: For the ladies Emily Harvie was high and Mildred St. Thomas low while Harold Harvie led the gents and Grant Lees was low. In hockey terms Harold completed a hat trick winning also for lone hands and the draw.

October 26 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand honours went to Margaret Fletcher and Tom Orr while Sharon Atkinson and Marcel Roussel held the hidden scores. Maxine Cross and Kevin Maloney recorded the evening's lows with the other prizes going to Shirley Milne, Flo Roussel, Larry Mowat, John Mallon and Cliff Davison.

October 27 bid euchre at Club 35: Ray Sisson had the single moonshot while Helen Windsor held the hidden score. First place for the pinks was a tie at 264 between Linda Voycey and Jean Scadden followed by Sharon Atkinson 218 and Marnie Butler 193. Leading the whites at 247 was John Grimbergen with Cliff Davison 233 second and Tom Macartney 213 third.

October 27 euchre at Staunworth Court, Minden: June Branning reports that Pat Bailey won for high hands, Nick Boekestyn for lone hands and Gala Stamp for low hands with Martha Harding taking the draw prize. Euchre at the Court starts at 7 p.m., new players are welcome.

October 27 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: North/South leaders were Antonia Paul and Norma Crewson at 65% with Judy Neimann and Tom Howat next at 55%. Over in East/West Freda Norman and Muriel McIntosh tied for first at 58% with Dorothy Howat and Margo Davidson.

October 28 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Moonshots went to Tom Grix and Marcel Roussel with Tom also winning a draw along with Isobel Cherwenka and Pat Scadden. Theresa Deak was high for the whites at 288 with Marcel Roussel 257 second and Don Burch 238 third. Pink honours went to Edith Burch at 225 with Pat Roussel and June Branning tied for second at 223 and Gala Stamp 216 third.

October 30 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: In the lone hands column it was Gwen Cox and Laura Carnegie with Verna McDonald and our reporter Tim Sharpe recording the high scores. Pearl Cowen and Barbara Braithwaite tallied up the afternoon's lows with Jeanne Keliele holding the hidden score. Pearl and Laura Carnegie won special prizes while Tim Sharpe was paid a pre-hibernation visit by the skunk.

October 30 cribbage at the Minden Legion: Elva Paisley reports that Lois Adamson led the scoring followed by Pat Scadden and Don Burch with Maxine Cross, Verna McDonald and Edith Burch winning the draws.

October 30 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: First place went to Mike St. Thomas with Tom Grix in second spot. Vic Ballik and Phyllis Windsor tied for third while Eileen Shepstone won the draw and Dorothy McElwain took the only moonshot.

October 30 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Pat Bailey won for high hands, Pearl Cowen for lone hands, Diane Peacock for low hands and our reporter Elaine Yeo for the draw.

October 30 euchre at Club 35: Double winner Ray Sisson took the honours for most lone hands and also the bologna. High score holders were Jean Randell and Cliff Davison with Helen Windsor and Harry Randell recording the lows. Thanks to Garth Windsor for this update.

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CHANGE IN NOVEMBER 2006 COUNCIL MEETING

Please be advised that the council meeting scheduled for November 30th, 2006 has been changed to November 9th, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. and the COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE meeting scheduled for November 9th, 2006 has been cancelled.

The Inaugural Meeting following the Municipal Election will be held on December 7th, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Minden Hills Council Chambers.

Pursuant to the Procedural By-law, the December regular meeting of council will be held on December 14th, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Minden Hills Council Chambers.

Township of Minden Hills Offices Christmas Hours of Operation

Friday, December 22nd, 2006
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Monday, December 25th, 2006
to Monday, January 1st, 2007
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County of Haliburton Citizen Appointments to County Advisory Committees and Boards

The County of Haliburton benefits greatly from the involvement of local residents who help County Council make decisions about the programmes and services provided to our citizens. It is County Council's desire for appointments to the various boards and committees to be reflective of the demographic and geographical makeup of the County of Haliburton. Information about possible committee vacancies, their mandates, time commitment and process for making an application can be found www.haliburtoncounty.ca

The deadline for applications to the County of Haliburton is November 30, 2006.

Tamara Williams, County Clerk

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2006 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

The Voter Kits for the 2006 Municipal Election have been distributed. Please use the following steps when casting your vote:

- 1) complete your ballot
- 2) enclose your ballot in the white secrecy envelope
- 3) sign your declaration form
- 4) enclose the white secrecy envelope and your declaration into the yellow return envelope
- 5) do not place your declaration form inside the secrecy envelope

November 3rd is the deadline for mailing in your return ballot. After November 3rd, 2006, voters are encouraged to return their ballot in person to the Municipal Office or use the drop box at the entrance to the building.

Cheryl McCarroll
Clerk/Returning Officer
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Writing Fairy guides would-be writers to success

Writers from Durham, Ottawa, Muskoka and other areas around the province congregated on Saturday at Club 35 to hear how to run a successful writing business.

As owner of Write Stuff Writing Services, the speaker, Dorothea Helms makes an excellent living doing corporate work, editing newsletters, writing articles for magazines and so on. That is her bread and butter business, but two years ago she started a company under her trade mark of

The Writing Fairy. That's the company name under which she does her creative



STANHOPE LIFE

Pauline Johnson

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on and the hours she works each day, she left nobody in doubt as to why she is so successful. She also stressed setting high standards. "It's hard to find good writers who come in on deadline and word count." Often hiring writers for publications that she edits she said, "I would rather have a good, reliable writer than a brilliant flake working for me." She pointed out that editors tend to make more money than writers but the responsibilities are more onerous,

so be sure you know what you are letting yourself in for before taking on that job.

Writing, her non-fiction books and the workshops she does to inspire other writers – the things that are her passion. A graduate of a creative writing course at Durham College in 1995, she claims that she made all the mistakes a freelance writer could make and now she passes along her hard-won wisdom to others.

Urging writers to value their skills, the first rule she stressed was, "Don't write for free, unless it is to help a favourite non-profit organization. Nobody asks a plumber to install pipes for free, claiming that they are a small business that can't afford to pay. Businesses don't have the right to expect writers to be satisfied with a byline, instead of a payment. This job is a noble thing to do. It should be valued."

On the other hand she quips, "Why do writers whine about the shortage of grants to allow them to spend their time writing? You don't hear plumbers complaining about the lack of grants for plumbers. They just get out and get work."

She claims that if you can write well, you can write anything and proceeded to list places where people could get jobs writing. "Make a list of where words come into your life from, and then go after work in any of those areas."

Outlining the type of work that she takes

60 – 70 per cent of what's out there in the written word is mediocre, she pointed out that many of the best writers have still not been published because they haven't sent their work out, due to fear of rejection. "Rejection is not failure," she stressed. It often boils down to the fact that the timing for your topic is off or the editor just doesn't have space. "Look at real estate agents," she joked, "They know that every 'no' is a step to a 'yes'. Rejection is just feedback."

When writers start their own businesses, they have to spend up to 75 per cent of their time marketing it, writing query letters or designing a website. She advised participants to take an entrepreneur's course. "It's one of the best things I did. Eventually, the more you actually write, the less time you will have to spend marketing yourself."

What makes a writer? Helms claimed, "Whatever it is that sparks writers can't be taught. You already know what you need to know but don't know it. You're never too old to write."

When someone joked about the prevalence of women in the room, 25 women and only six men, suggesting that men aren't as teachable, Helms responded, "Men are good sports, just great."



Dorothea Helms brandishes her star-topped wand as the writing fairy, godmother of writers.

On the topic of self-publishing, she pointed out that The Wealthy Barber was self published at first before going on to become a bestseller. Self-publishing is no longer frowned upon as it once was.

How to write a query letter, how to set perceived value for your work, how to come up with topics for magazine or newspaper articles, how to see emerging trends, how to keep up as language changes, how to use The Writer's Market, how to approach municipalities for writing jobs, how to get an agent, when to invoice, the use of style guides and so on were topics that many scribbled notes on.

"Overall be professional and pleasant to work with," Helms stressed.

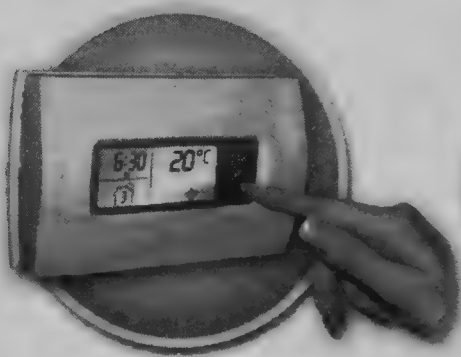
Her sense of humour made the workshop a very pleasant one. How many speakers can brandish a staff with a star on the end, call themselves the writing fairy and command the respect that Helms does? A balance of humour, hard work and just plain tenacity make Helms the writing idol that so many emerging writers want to hear from. The Haliburton Highlands Writers

and Editors Network is pleased that the workshop was such a huge success and thank the members of the Algonquin Highlands Writers' Circle for sharing their space at Club 35 for the day.

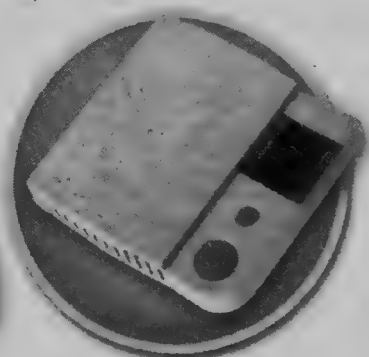
On November 17 and 18, the Gaia Centre is offering Training in Loving Kindness with Abbess Khenmo Drolma. Learn meditation methods and mind training slogans used by Buddhist monks and nuns for centuries. These practices and pithy reminders help us live daily with compassion, face unexpected difficulties with open hearts and maintain our hopes to benefit others. Registrations must be received by November 10. For more information and to register call Gaia Centre at 705 754 2427 or check the website at gaia-centre.org

To submit any item of interest to this regular weekly column, please e-mail bpjohnson@sympatico.ca or call (705) 489-3878. Share what you know about what's happening in Stanhope, what Stanhope residents are up to or how you enjoyed a particular event or gathering.

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A piece of nostalgia

Gino Ziorjen and his wife Margot, who once ran the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, help former board member Elizabeth Carrell cut a cake marking the gallery's 25th anniversary. The three were at the closing reception of the members' show October 14. "I was there from the very beginning," Carrell said. "So was Margot."



SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

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TAKE NOTICE that tenders are invited for the purchase of the lands described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on November 14th, 2006 at Municipal Offices, 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at 3:30 p.m. at the Municipal Offices.

Description of Lands	Minimum Tender Amount
1. Part of Lots 1 and 2, Concession A, Anson, now Township of Minden Hills, County of Haliburton, being Part 1, Plan 19R-4803. As previously described in Instrument No. H172934. Being all of PIN 39198-0033 (LT). Roll # 46 16 010 000 45600.	\$4,155.32
2. Part of Lots 1 and 2, Concession A, Anson, now Township of Minden Hills, County of Haliburton, being Part 2, Plan 19R-4803. As previously described in Instrument No. H172931. Being all of PIN 39198-0032 (LT). Roll # 46 16 010 000 45605.	\$4,194.63
3. Part of Lot 14, Concession 10, Township of Snowdon, now Township of Minden Hills, County of Haliburton, designated as Parts 2 and 4, Plan 19R-1992. As previously described in Instrument No. 164992. Roll # 46 16 041 000 62510.	\$3,880.58
4. Part of Lot 30, Concession 5, Township of Snowdon, now Township of Minden Hills, County of Haliburton. As previously described FIRSTLY in Instrument No. 65540. Roll # 46 16 041 000 44000.	\$4,918.78
5. Part of Lot 12, Concession 3, Township of Anson, now Township of Minden Hills, County of Haliburton, containing an area of 1.425 acres. As previously described in Instrument No. 227795. Roll # 46 16 010 000 27500	\$4,962.92
6. Part of Lot 11, Concession 1, Township of Snowdon, now Township of Minden Hills, County of Haliburton, designated as Part 39, Plan RD-115. As previously described in Instrument No. 105154. Roll # 46 16 041 000 08500.	\$5,358.72
7. Part of Lot 21, Concession 8, Lutterworth, now Township of Minden Hills, County of Haliburton. As previously described in Instrument No. H189403. S/T and T/W rights-of-way as set out in Instrument No. H189403. Being all of PIN 39205-0216 (LT). Roll # 46 16 052 000 08600.	\$7,375.44

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

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For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, contact:

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- **Nov. 1-30:** "A Tribute to Haliburton's Military Service Personnel" an exhibit at the Haliburton Highlands Museum: an opportunity for quiet reflection. Museum hours: Tuesday thru Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Nov. 1:** VON Foot Care Clinic starting at 9 a.m. Located in the Community Care Drop-In Centre in the Halco Plaza in Haliburton. Subsequent clinics the first Wed. of every month. To book an appt. call 1-800-743-6255. Everyone welcome.
- **Nov. 2:** Ladies Fellowship - 7:30 -9:30 p.m., West Guilford Community Centre. Speaker: Beth Archibald. Lynn Cox, Country Rose, "Learn to make bows". Call 754-2808 or 457-3155.
- **Nov. 2, 16 & 30:** Play & Learn in Wilberforce with the Ontario Early Years Mobile Outreach. Drop-in and see us every other Thursday at the Lloyd Watson Centre from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Parents and children 0-6 years will enjoy activities, crafts, and active circle times; toy and book lending; ideas to help keep kids healthy and safe; nutritional snacks; and guest speakers. Call 457-2989.
- **Nov. 4:** Christmas Craft & Bake Sale - Haliburton Legion on Sat., 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sponsored by the Haliburton Legion Ladies Auxiliary Br. 129. Do your Christmas Shopping early & enjoy a light lunch at our tea table.
- **Nov. 4:** Maple Lake United Church. Corner of Airport Rd. & Hwy. #118. - Roast Beef Dinner, Nov. 4, 2 sit-downs, 5 & 6:30 p.m. Preschool Free. Call 754-2258 (Merrie) or 457-3972 (Ev) for details & tickets.
- **Nov. 4:** Kimmount Annual Turkey Dinner in the Galway Hall, 4:30 to 7 p.m. Home made pies and a fresh cooked Turkey Dinner. Pre-schoolers Free. The Galway Hall is located on Galway Rd., 3 k's south of Kimmount off Cty Rd. 121. Call 488-2624 for cost and info.
- **Nov. 4, 11, 18:** Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre - Art FUNDamentals. Saturdays, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., ages 7-10. Explore line, colour, texture, form, and composition in The Studio with Laurie, Daniela and friends. 457-2330.
- **Nov. 4:** Ontario Early Years Minden & Haliburton Open House - 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come meet the staff, learn about the programs, join us for a music circle & activities. Our special guest is Clifford the Big Red Dog!
- **Nov. 5:** The Haliburton County Folk Society presents award-winning singer/songwriter Connie Kaldor. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Northern Lights Pavilion. www.haliburtonfolk.com, 754-3655. Tickets: York St. Internet Café and Golden Stationers, Minden.
- **Nov. 5:** Subway Development is sponsoring the "Free Public Skating" on Sunday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Minden Arena.
- **Nov. 5:** Gaia Centre - Book discussion: The Last Child In The Woods. 4 p.m. for parents, grandparents, teachers, nature lovers. Bring a vegetarian dish if you'd like to stay for a potluck supper. RSVP 754-2427 or check the website at gaiacentre.org.
- **Nov. 5:** Minden Health Care Auxiliary is presenting a Fall Fashion Show by "My Size" starting at 1:30 p.m. at Hyland Crest Auditorium. Tickets may be obtained from "My Size" at the Auxiliary Gift Shop.
- **Nov. 5:** S.E.A.L. meeting, Bobcaygeon Lion's Hall, 1:30 p.m. John Wright presentation on Solar Power for your Home. Also updates on our Environmental Report Card. You input welcome. Sustainable Ecological Alternatives for Living - www.sealweb.org. Call (705) 738-3841 for more information.
- **Nov. 6:** Ontario Early Years Minden - 10 - 11 a.m. Bev Jackson will visit to talk about early literacy.
- **Nov. 8:** The regular meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group will be held Wed. in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Doors open at 6 p.m.; election of 2007 Executive at 6:30 p.m.; 7 p.m. is the annual fun night - "Bring An Ancestor". Bring an artifact, story, photo or whatever for a short "Show & Tell". No charge. Refreshments. Call Gail Leach-Wunker 286-2225.
- **Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29:** The YWCA Women's Centre presents - A group on What is a Healthy Relationship? What is Love? YWCA Women's Centre, 11 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden. 1-3 p.m. Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29. FREE! Facilitators: Marina Hodson & Diana Leary. Call 286-1942 to register.
- **Every day a new picture** of Haliburton County, and sometimes beyond. Just visit www.jackbush.my-expressions.com. every day. A great reminder of why we all love living right here.
- **Now until Nov. 8:** Ontario Early Years with Haliburton Dance Arts Studio - Kindergym. Parents and children 18 mths. to 3 yrs. will enjoy this energetic program that gets children and caregivers excited about music and movement. Join us every Tuesday, 10:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Register at 457-2989.
- **Now until Nov. 9:** Ontario Early Years Children's Learning Centre in Minden - When the Kids Fight! Are you looking for less fighting & more cooperation between your children? It is possible! Join us to gain quick tips & ways to make life easier for the whole family through this 6-part workshop series. Thursdays' now until Nov. 9th. To register, please call 286-4625. Light supper and childcare will be provided - please enquire.
- **Family Drop-In Saturdays:** Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre. Last Saturday of every month, 2-4 p.m. Nov. 25 (Santa will be here 1-4 p.m. Nov. 25), Jan. 27, & Feb. 24. Enjoy a free tour of the current exhibition followed by Open Studio activities for the whole family. Call 457-2330.
- **Adult Badminton:** Mondays - 8 - 10 p.m. Now until May 28/07 at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Join us for fun, fellowship & fitness. Call 286-1765 for further information.
- **Tea at 3:** Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre. Every Wednesday, for adults who like to talk about ART and drink tea. 3 o'clock. Free. Call 457-2330.
- **Now until Dec. 1st:** Ontario Early Years Haliburton - Swim & Gym. 8 sessions for families with children 0-6 years at the Wigamog Inn. Join us Friday mornings by registering at our Early Learning Centre 457-2989.
- **For women** experiencing any type of abuse, call the YWCA Crisis Line at 286-6442 or (800) 461-7656.
- **Do you have a talent** or a hobby you could share with a young person in Haliburton County? By becoming a Mentor and sharing your interests for just a couple of hours a week you will make a great impact on the life of a child. Please call Marilou or Vicki at Family Services of Haliburton County, at 457-5345 and find out more.
- **The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild** meets every second Wednesday of each month at Camp Adelaide, which is on #118, between Haliburton & Tory Hill. The building is open from 10 a.m. for those who want to do some quilting, etc., and the general meeting starts at 1 p.m. with refreshments at mid-meeting. Guests and new members are welcome. Call Anita Dobell at 457-3723.
- **Ontario Breast Screening Program** - for women 50 years and over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays and Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. Call (705) 328-6175.
- **Township of Algonquin Highlands** - For adults and seniors in the community, Euchre at Club 35 on Mondays at 7 p.m. For more info call: 489-2945.
- **YWCA** of Peterborough, Victoria and Haliburton is seeking enthusiastic volunteers to act as home companions for a new program, YWCA Haliburton Emergency Rural SafeSpace (HERS). For more information, call the YWCA Women's Centre at 286-1942.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca, or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

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Appliances A110

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All Makes & Models of Snowmobiles and ATV's for our Annual **Snowmobile Auction** Accepting Snowmobiles, 4x4's, All Terrain, Bikes, Trucks, Recreational Eqpt., Trailers, Tools **SAT., NOV. 18th, 10 a.m.**
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Building Material A130

GORGEOUS KITCHEN CABINETS, Pine, custom, including stainless steel sink. (1 1/2 with draining board) All countertops, brown Formica. Size of kitchen, 9' 6" X 12'. Call: 705-489-2495 or 905-884-0579

Firewood A180

3 1/2 bush cord, seasoned hardwood, blocked, can be split and delivered. Call 286-9902.

Firewood A180

Dry wood for sale. \$70 face. 286-6397. NO delivery.

Firewood for sale, \$75 per cord, delivery available. Call John at 286-2944, leave a message.

Seasoned Firewood - Cut last year NOT last week Dunloe Farms West Guilford Delivery Available Call 754-3034

Miscellaneous A230

45th Apparel is sad to announce their closing as of Nov., 1. We wish to thank all of our customers.

Miscellaneous A230

Custom Drapery - You buy the fabric, I'll do the sewing. 20 years experience. Call Doris at 454-3728.

FOR SALE -1972 19 FT - Dodge Motor Home all amenities Asking \$6000.00. Call 286-6569

For Sale - 1982 Triple E 30 ft class A motor home. All amenities asking \$15,000.00 286-6569

For sale - Fold up transporter wheelchair, 25lbs, new condition, ideal for person with partial mobility. Phone 286-2260.

Miscellaneous A230

For sale - New, 1 pair Bauer 2000, size 6 1/2 skates. Snow tires, 4 Kaumoh-85-70R14, 4 Hercules Polar Trax, 205-75R14. 286-4200

For sale - new treadmill (Weslo) used 1 week folds up. \$400. Call 286-1146.

Ikea steel coloured furniture: 3 nesting tables \$45, bedside table \$30, and drawer unit \$30. White kitchen table \$40. 488-1556.

Ladies black female full length mink coat size 12-14. Beautiful condition. Fox trim. 286-4332. \$550/best offer, must see!

Pool table 6x12, slate national, great cond., cues, balls, scoreboard, you take away, basement walkout vehicle sacrifice. 286-9908. \$1100.00.

RECREATIONAL SQUASH
Thursday evenings Oct. 26 to Dec. 14 Beside Haliburton Arena 7-9 pm. Beginners welcome anytime. Raquets available free Lessons. Call 457-2862

PETS & AGRICULTURE

Dogs A310

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The Law Office of Raymond G. Selbie, Barrister & Solicitor, has an excellent career opportunity for a Legal Secretary to join their team.

The ideal Candidate will possess the following skills and attributes;

- * will be comfortable working on all aspects of residential and commercial real estate files as well as corporate;
- * experience with client contact, drafting and filing documents, daily correspondence, document preparation, billing, file preparation/management and general administrative tasks;
- * strong organizational and administrative skills in addition to excellent technical abilities with proficiency in MS Word and Polaris or Conveyancer. Teraview/Ereg would be an asset but not necessary;
- * must excel in ability to prioritize workload and multi-task in a fast paced environment. Accuracy is imperative as is deadline sensitivity.

If this sounds like the position for you, please forward your resume by mail to Raymond G. Selbie, Barrister & Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, 34 Maple Avenue, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0; or Fax (705) 457-3074; or email: rselbie@on.aibn.com

No telephone inquiries please. We thank all applicants for their expression of interest; however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

General Employment A800

Year round work for cleaners at Marcus Beach (Lake Kashagawigamog) starting in December 2006. Applicants must be team players - detail to cleaning is crucial. 7 1/2 hours per day on Friday and Sunday, with the addition of another 7 1/2 hours on Monday starting in March 2007. Contact Lori Roberts at 457-9600 for an interview. \$12.50 per hour

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Community Care
Community Care Haliburton County is a not for profit charitable organization which provides community support services to seniors and adults with disabilities and/or illnesses and their caregivers.
Position: Resource Development Coordinator, 28 hours per week. Some weekend and evening work required.
Rate of pay as per current Pay Equity and Collective Agreement. Benefits.
Summary: Manages an intensive public awareness and fundraising component including with Ad hoc Committees, the community and corporations to implement the marketing and fundraising to support the strategic plan of the agency; to implement planned giving.
Qualifications include: Diploma or university level education or equivalent in social services, fundraising. Demonstrated experience in fundraising, marketing and communication; agency accountability issues; community development; designing and delivering workshops; administration. Excellent interpersonal, communication and organizational skills; high level of enthusiasm, creativity and flexibility. Demonstrated team player. Working knowledge of computer software applications.
Submit written applications and detailed resumes and referenced before 4 p.m. Oct. 31st to:
Donna MacDonald, Executive Director
Community Care Haliburton County
Box 956
Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0
Fax: 705-457-5077
Note: A complete job description is available at our office. We thank all who apply, but only those granted an interview will be contacted.

Cars A400

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REAL ESTATE

Commercial/Industrial A530

Office space - Hwy 35, at Halls Lake. \$275/-month. 705-457-6077 or 489-3791. 10403490



RENTALS

Apartments Furnished A600

Bachelor apt for rent. 5 minutes from Minden. Semi-furnished. Lake access. Available immediately. \$500 includes utilities. Call 416-271-6844 10309541

Apartments Unfurnished A610

Large 2 bedroom apartment, 1200 sq. ft. Halls Lake, \$725 plus hydro. 457-6077 or 489-3791. 10405474

Houses A650



3 BDRM Townhouse, 2 baths, close to school. Avail. Dec. 1, \$650+ util. 705-286-6127 10408929

Wanted to Rent A700

MATURE GENTLEMAN Nonsmoker requires living accommodation in the Minden area November until Spring or longer. (613)386-1192 10407736



VACATION & TRAVEL

General Employment A800

Winter Plowing Needed!
2 km rough road
Please contact:
Barb Reid 286 4855

Reachingout Family Homes is a foster care agency located in Lindsay, Ontario. We are currently seeking a one to one worker in the West Guilford area to work with a difficult teenage boy. The one to one worker will model appropriate anger management, develop social skills and encourage community involvement, up to 15 hours per week. A vehicle, current police check and a valid driver's license are required. Experience dealing with behavioral youth and education is an asset. This position will be offered on a contract basis, with an hourly rate.
Please forward your resume by November 06, 2006 to:
Heather Finn
Reachingout Family Homes
Suite 208- 189 Kent Street West
Lindsay, Ontario
K9V 5G6
Fax (705)324-7994

Thank you for your interest however only those chosen for an interview will be contacted

Sell it right here!

Notices A910

The Board of Health for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit intends to increase the fees charged for sewage system permits and services. Any member of the public may obtain copies of the proposed fees and supporting documentation, and provide comment on them, by coming to the Health Unit office on, Wednesday, November 1, 2006 between 3:30 and 4:30 pm. The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is located at 200 Rose Glen Road, Port Hope, Ont.

Tenders A920

City of KAWARTHA LAKES
Catch the Kawartha spirit

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2006-34
STANDING ORDER FOR
PREQUALIFICATION FOR DAY-TO-DAY
REQUIRED MAINTENANCE
(ELECTRICAL, HVAC, PLUMBING,
GENERAL CONTRACTING AND PAINTING)
FOR THE CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES

The City of Kawartha Lakes is inviting Proposals for the provision of day-to-day maintenance in the following trades: Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing, General Contracting and Painting.

Services are required on an "as and when required" basis for the period January 1st, 2007 to December 31st, 2007. The City intends to create and implement a Standing Order program with qualified Contractors from whom the City will engage in services on a rotational basis.

Documents can be obtained from the Purchasing Division, 26 Francis Street, Lindsay, ON, or by calling 705-324-9411, Ext. 877 or 1-888-822-2225, Ext. 877 or Fax 705-324-7058.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2006

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For further information please contact Mark Allen Buyer, by calling 705-324-9411, Ext. 877 or 1-888-822-2225, Ext. 877.

The lowest or any proposal will not necessarily be accepted.

General Employment A800

Home Hardware BUILDING CENTRE
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We currently have a new position opening for outside/inside contracting salesperson.

Applicant must have experience in blueprint reading and material estimating. Strong understanding of market trends. Extensive knowledge of building products and confident aggressive sales ability.

This position will require the salesperson to pursue new contracting accounts and to visit building sites on a regular basis. Commitment to customer service, growing, and promoting Minden Home Hardware building centres contracting department.

If you feel you have the sales experience for this position, apply in person with resume to Management **Minden Home Hardware**.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
General Employment A800
AZ, DZ Driver Equipment Operator. Paid upon experience. Yard locations highway 35 between Minden and Dorset. 766-9984 10404330

General Employment A800

Registered physiotherapist and PTA for part time hours in Haliburton and Minden nursing homes. Please send your resume to (416)445-9692. Attn: Rosalie Ip or Mr. Edward Monzon 10413811

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Rockliffe Tavern
Wed. Nov. 8
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QUOTATION NO. 2006-24
STANDING ORDER FOR HIRED
EQUIPMENT RENTAL
WITH AND WITHOUT OPERATOR

The intention of this Quotation is to develop a Standing Order for approved rental and/or service agencies and owner/operators that may be used as required for short-term equipment rental or services required by the City of Kawartha Lakes.

The Quotation shall provide all labour, fuel, equipment and materials necessary to quote equipment by: Hourly Rates without Operator; Hourly Rates with Operator; Total Float Charge; and/or Minimum Charges. Bidders may bid on any combination of equipment and/or operated/non operated equipment.

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Coming Events A940

Mansfield House Treasures 2006

Shop for gifts, ideas for decorating for your home for the holidays, sample Christmas party hors d'oeuvres, treat yourself to a spa style hand treatment.

Please Join Us.

Fri. - November 3 - 10 am - 8 pm.
Sat. - November 4 - 10 am - 5 pm.
Sun. - November 5 - 12 pm - 4 pm.

Fri. - November 10 - 10 am - 8 pm.
Sat. - November 11 - 10 am - 5 pm.

EDUCATION

NOTICES

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Coming Events A940

Christmas Luncheon, White Elephant & Bake Sale at Minden United Church, Nov. 10, starting at 11:30am. Adults \$5. Preschoolers free. 10412073

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ST. PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
Invergordon Street, Minden
ANNUAL TURKEY DINNER
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Friday, November 3
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Adults: \$12.00
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Coming Events A940

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Northern Lights Pavilion
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Tickets available at
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* Pharmasave, Minden
Directed by Melissa A. Stephens

12th Annual Tourism Leadership Workshop Series 2006
Hands on Practical Skill Building for Tourism Success
Experience - Success

Tuesday, November 14 and Wednesday, November 15, 2006
Join tourism professionals from across Ontario for two days of interactive workshops and networking opportunities. These workshops are focused on providing professional development for small and medium sized tourism operators, municipalities, regional tourism organizations, educators and tourism managers.

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The Great Hall, Fleming College, Haliburton
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- Potluck Dinner
Date: Tuesday, November 14 & Wednesday, November 15, 2006
Time: 9:00 - 4:00 each day
Cost: \$50. per workshop - pick and choose your own
Location: Fleming College, Haliburton
Contact: (705) 457-1680

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Coming Events A940

Yoga Meets Dance
Sun. Oct. 29, 10:30 - 11:45. Stanhope Fire-hall, North Shore Rd. Barbara McKinstry N.D. 705-489-4598. 10308495

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Announcements

Thank You Cards

I want to give a great BIG thanks to the nice ambulance drivers, O.P.P. officer, Fire Dept, Doctor & Nurses for being so kind and nice to me after the accident. I would like to also give thanks to everybody who stopped and helped. A special thanks to all the community for the caring phonecalls.
- From: Melanie Graves Howard Prentice, Age 8

10410318

Deaths

DAVIS, Wanda (Nee Stamp) - Passed away peacefully at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Tuesday October 24, 2006. In her 80th year.

Beloved wife of the late Garnet Davis. Loving mother of Jim and his wife Bernie, John and his wife Debi, Lonnie and his wife Judy, Lockie and his wife Denise, Autumn and her husband Bill Robinson, Wendy and her husband Mike Iles. Grandmother to Deneeha, Dustin (Brook), Mandy (Scott), Amy (Phil), Carly, Clay, Gaten, Vanessa, Adam, Brandon, Christopher, Tessa. Great grandmother to Abigail and Victoria. Sister to Carla (Keith Fountain) and the late Wanita (Lawrence Hogg) and sister-in-law to Velma Stevenson, Lois (Mervin Barry).

Friends were invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com) on Wednesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Thursday October 26, 2006 at 11:00 am. Interment Bethel Cemetery, Minden.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Service Foundation (H.H.H.S.F) would be appreciated by the family.

10410421

FRANCIS, Clara Dunn Hewitt - Passed away peacefully at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Saturday, October 28, 2006. In her 91st year. Beloved wife of the late Charles Wesley Francis. Loving mother of Marjorie and her husband the late Harold Coulter, Phyllis and her husband Ron Calder of Redbridge, Garnet, Danny and Tony Francis all of Oshawa, predeceased by her daughter Jean and son-in-law Phillip Corby. Loving grandmother of many grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. Lovingly remembered by her family and friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main Street, Minden (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com) on Tuesday, October 31, 2006 from 11:00 am until the time of the funeral service in the chapel at 1:00 pm. The interment was at the Gelert Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund or the Hyland Crest Resident's Council would be appreciated by the family.

10415571

Deaths

HARRISON, Velda May - Passed away peacefully at Soldier's Memorial Hospital Orillia on Wednesday October 25, 2006. In her 83rd year.

Beloved wife of the late Vernal "Benny". Dear mother of Judy and her husband Albert Carpenter. Loving nana to Angie and her husband Rich Chapple, Scott and great grandmother of Joshua. Dear sister of Arnold (Phyllis) Richardson and predeceased by Ruby, Alfred and Ron. Fondly remembered by her nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends were invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, on Friday from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m.. Memorial Service in the Chapel on Saturday October 28, 2006 at 11:00 am. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial donations to the Extendicare Proud Pioneers would be appreciated by the family.

10413030

HOLDEN, Donald Frank - (Veteran of WWII) - Passed away peacefully at the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Wednesday September 6, 2006. In his 80th year.

Beloved husband of Ellen, dear father of Frank (Pam), Ken, Kathy (John Gibbard), Janet (Mel Moore). Loving grandfather of Kyle and Miles Holden, Michelle and Brooke Gibbard, Trevor, Shaun, Jonathan and Stephanie Moore, and great grandfather of Joseph and Lindsay. Dear brother of the late Dorothy Browne, son of the late Walter Frank Holden and Hilda Maude Griffiths. Fondly remembered by his many nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com) on Saturday November 4, 2006 from 12:00 O'clock noon until the time of the Legion Memorial Service at 1:00 p.m..

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Deaths

SCOTT, Doris Jean - Passed away peacefully at her home in Minden on Tuesday, October 24, 2006. At the age of 74.

Beloved wife of Howard for 53 years. Loving mother of Katherine and her husband Boyd Jarvis of Minden, Chris, Scott and Joan Drake of Minden. Loving nana of Joshua, Brandon and Ryan, Daniel and great nana of Emma and Sawyer. Dear sister of Dennis and Carol Hyslop of Peterborough.

Friends were invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com) on Saturday, October 28, 2006 from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m.. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family.

10412740

SCOTT, Mary A. (nee Winch) - Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Friday, October 27, 2006. In her 82nd year. Beloved wife of Gil of Minden for 54 years. Loving mother of Susan and her husband Paul Irwin of Oshawa. Dear sister of Margaret and her husband John F. McMulkin of Burlington. Fondly remembered by her family and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden on Thursday, November 2, 2006 from 2:00 until 5:00 pm. Cremation has taken place. Memorial donations to the Canadian Cancer Society, SPCA, Heart and Stroke Foundation or to the Charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

10415718

SMITH, Jr., Kenneth M. - Passed away peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Wednesday, October 25, 2006. At the age of 88. Beloved husband of the late Helen S. Smith, dear father of Kenneth M. Smith III and Timothy H. Smith both of San Francisco. Loving grandfather of Laiea, Noelle and Lara. A Private Family Service was held at the **Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com) on Monday, October 30, 2006. Memorial donations to the Canadian Red Cross Society or the Canadian Diabetes Association or the Parkinson's Society would be appreciated by the family.

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I didn't have to hear you cry
To know you loved me too..
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You touched my soul
You sweetened my spirit

You gave me memories I'll always hold near
My heart aches since you departed too soon
But a mother's love does not end with death.

- Greatly loved and missed by Dad, Mom, Christy, Jason, Amanda, and Matt

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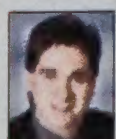


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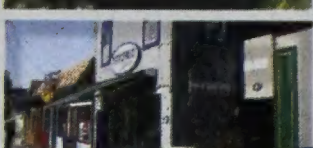


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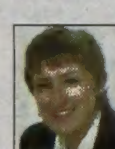
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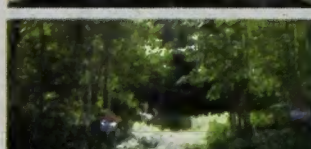
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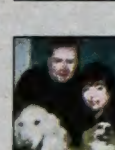
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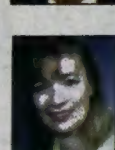
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